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Christina stabbing suspect is charged

A 22-year-old man from Walsall has been formally charged with the murder of schoolgirl Christina Edkins, who was stabbed to death on a bus in Birmingham.

Phillip Simelane appeared at Birmingham Crown Court accused of fatally stabbing the 16-year-old as she was travelling to school.

The charges were formally put to him after he was brought back into police custody from a secure unit, where his mental state was being assessed.

Simelane spoke only to confirm his name during a 10-minute hearing.

Bus

Wearing a blue, white and grey hooded training top, he was asked only to confirm his name by the court clerk.

Simelane was remanded in custody to a secure mental health unit and will next appear on May 31.

The teenager, from Birmingham, died from a single stab wound to the chest after being attacked on the number nine bus in Hagley Road, on March 7.

She was on her way to Leasowes High School in Halesowen.

Christina, who was sitting on the top deck, was attacked at 7.37am as the bus was pulled over at a stop near the busy Five Ways roundabout leading out of the city centre.

Her family, from Ladywood, paid tribute to their "beautiful princess" and said she was an intelligent and bright young lady.

New store is creating jobs

A NEW Co-op store is opening its doors in Walsall Wood today (Thursday), creating 25 new jobs.

The convenience store has been built on the site of a former car dealership at the junction of Lichfield Road and Brownhills Road.

Work has been under way for more than nine months and the Co-op confirmed it would launch this week, bringing a jobs boost to the area.

BID FOR OLYMPIC TRAINING POOL

Report by Marion Brennan

AN OLYMPIC training pool used by athletes taking part in the London Games may be bought for public use at Walsall's Oak Park Leisure Centre.

Portable swimming pools, for athletes to warm up in, were used during last year's Olympic and Paralympic Games. Councils around the UK, including Walsall, put in bids for one of the 25-metre stainless steel structures.

Council leader Mike Bird explained that the authority would find out later this year if it had been successful. He said: "We've thrown our hat into the ring for one of the Olympic training pools. It's early days but one plan we're looking at is for this to form part of the rebuilt Oak Park Leisure Centre."

Health scrutiny chairman Councillor Marco Longhi said he hoped it was possible for the pool to be moved around the borough to be used when and where it was needed.

"It's terribly exciting prospect," he said. "We've had positive feedback on the bid and I think it would be a great feature in two or three areas where we have the land to put it, such as Oak Park."

Concerns

The move follows growing concerns that some 55 per cent of people in the borough take no physical activity whatsoever.

Health scrutiny chiefs have identified nine groups on which they plan to focus, including men aged over 40, single mothers and the overweight.

The council has now committed to improving "active living" among residents over the next 25 years.

The move includes a £14 million review of leisure centres in Walsall after a survey showed that swimming and fitness were most popular.

A free swimming initiative for youngsters aged up to 16 has been a huge success, quadrupling attendances at pools, from 200 for the first two months of last year compared with 800 for the same period this year.

Fan hurt - six in court

FOUR men and two teenage boys were due to appear in court in connection with an alleged assault at Walsall railway station on January 4. A 56-year-old Portsmouth fan from Surrey, suffered a broken jaw.

Appearing at Walsall Magistrates Court was Peter Harvey, 33, of Bloxwich, charged with causing grievous bodily harm with intent and affray. Anthony Clarke, 26, and Scott Forrester, 25, both of Walsall, and Christopher Genders, 21, of Willenhall, were also charged with affray, along with two 14-year-old boys who cannot be named for legal reasons.

Mr Deakin ran On Time Skips in Walsall. He was found dead in his home in Meadow Street on July 5, 2010.

Transported back in time



Transport museum directors Alan Bishop and Colin Page in front of a 1960s Midland Red double decker bus with Don Higham and his classic Triumph motorcycle

HUNDREDS descended on an historic transport museum in Walsall as it opened its doors to the public for a collectors' fair.

Model buses, transport memorabilia, toys, books and photos were on sale to visitors at Aston Manor Road Transport Museum in Aldridge on Sunday. Free bus rides were also offered between the museum, Walsall and Chasewater.

The museum is aiming to open more frequently this summer after submitting a

planning application to remain in its location long-term. Change of use from commercial to a museum will help the charity to become a permanent fixture.

Its collection includes a tram from the 1920s, a van from 1928 and a taxi from the 1970s, along with an old Royal Mail bicycle, bus stops and old fuel pump.

Further events include collectors fairs on May 12 and November 24, and Heritage Open Days on September 14 and 15.

Clean up of sites will cost millions

MILLIONS of pounds will be borrowed by councils to clean polluted land in Darlaston and Wolverhampton - to make it ready to create thousands of jobs.

Sites that are part of the Black Country Enterprise Zone - set up by Chancellor George Osborne with incentives for businesses - will take years to make ready.

The lengthy programme of work may mean that businesses that move to sites in Darlaston and Wolverhampton will not do so in time to take advantage of some of the Government-backed incentives, such as a five-year business rate holiday.

Power

The incentive is only available to firms that are in place and trading by April 2015.

Regeneration chiefs say the long-term benefits of the Enterprise Zone will be felt over 25 years because they have the power to raise millions of pounds to make the sites ready. But they will be allowed to keep all the additional business rates they collect, rather than sending them to the Government as they currently do.

Walsall Council is putting together a business case to borrow money it needs to decontaminate land such as Phoenix 10 in Darlaston, the former IMI copper works.

Up to 4,000 jobs could be created on 14 sites in Darlaston and five in Wolverhampton, including the i54 where Jaguar Land Rover is building a £500 million plant.

Son is held after attack

A MAN from Beechdale has been accused of attacking his 86-year-old mother, who was taken to hospital with critical injuries. Lilian Henderson was found at home in Stephenson Avenue.

Her son Ian, 61, of the same address, appeared at Walsall Magistrates Court charged with grievous bodily harm. He was remanded in custody to appear at Wolverhampton Crown Court on June 13.

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Son locked up for stabbing father with kitchen knife

A 20-YEAR-OLD man who repeatedly stabbed his father has been sentenced to six-and-a-half-years behind bars.

Micah Tallentire plunged a kitchen knife into the back, right arm and left leg of his father.

Violence flared after he returned to the family home in Orchard Road, New Tree, after it had been made clear that he was not welcome anymore, Wolverhampton Crown Court was told.

Tallentire went into the living room where his father slapped or punched him at least three times on

the back of the head before ordering him out of the house.

Tallentire claimed he found the front door locked and got a knife from the kitchen to defend himself.

Mother

His father was stabbed up to three times in the back while also receiving wounds after falling to the floor. Tallentire fled the scene following the knifing witnessed by his mother and younger sister. He was arrested the next day.

His father spent four days being treated at Sandwell Hospital. The

defendant was convicted of wounding with intent following a trial and had been remanded in custody until last week for sentence.

Mr Bernard Porter, defending, said: "The victim accepts that he was the original aggressor and certainly assaulted the defendant on a number of occasions with punches to the head. Members of the family were trying to pull him off the defendant while he was doing this."

"The defendant found himself trapped in the hall after finding the front door locked while trying to leave and initially armed himself

with the knife to dissuade further assaults by his father but went way beyond that."

Tallentire, of Woodland Drive, Smethwick robbed a 17-year-old of a mobile phone and other property near West Bromwich High Street on July 26 while on bail for the knife attack.

Judge John Warner ordered that the defendant be detained in a Young Offenders Institution for five years for the wounding, which had been denied, with a further 18 months added to the sentence for the robbery that was admitted.

Job cuts warning on court security

COURT security guards could face the axe by under-fire contractor G4S as it reviews the management of its Ministry of Justice contract.

The warning at the firm, which provides guards and cleaners to courts, comes after it was revealed the company wiped £91 million off its pre-tax profits after being at the centre of the London 2012 Olympic Games security fiasco.

The company has confirmed it has written to its entire staff at magistrates courts in Walsall, Cannock, Sandwell, Dudley, Wolverhampton and Birmingham.

Worrying

Workers have received the warnings at Stafford Crown Court, at Wolverhampton Crown Court and Birmingham Crown Court.

Bosses at G4S say they expect to lose fewer than 20 staff out of 800 guards. It is not clear where those 20 will come from at this stage. A court security guard, who did not wish to be named, said: "It is worrying."

Proposals will be finalised in the next two months, after which affected employees will be invited to one to one meetings to start a 30-day consultation.

G4S spokesman Michael Baker said the company would explore other job opportunities within the security firm for those workers losing court security posts.

Saddlers sign is to go digital

AROUND £2 million will be invested in Walsall FC's landmark advertising sign seen by thousands of motorists every day along the M6.

Club bosses have signed a deal to make the huge advertising board digital.

Commercial director Roy Whalley hailed it as a "major stimulus" for the local economy.

The 75ft sign over the Banks's Stadium and can be seen by drivers on the M6 travelling between junction nine for Wednesbury and 10 for Walsall. It was at one point known as the biggest advertising hoarding in Britain.

The League One outfit has announced it has signed a partnership deal with Birmingham-based technology company Elonex.

Big parking charges bonus at the Manor

MORE than £900,000 was raked in from car parking charges at Walsall Manor Hospital in less than a year - £140,000 higher than expected due to more admissions.

An increase in patients and visitors saw the anticipated level of income from last April to the end of January this year surpass the £770,000 target.

Bosses at Walsall Healthcare NHS Trust said the hectic winter period has seen demand for parking spaces rise, as did the increase in patients due to the overnight closure of Stafford Hospital's A&E department. It comes as the Manor could see another increase of hundreds of extra patients under new proposals to downgrade Cannock and Stafford hospitals.

The Walsall site saw a 30 per rise in the treatment of patients from Staffordshire.

It was also one of the busiest December and January periods at the Manor in years. On three days in December there were more than 90 emergency admissions a day.

Laptop causes sofa fire

A FAMILY of five were evacuated from their home on Friday after a laptop overheated and set fire to their sofa.

A couple and their three children were woken by smoke alarms at their Forest Avenue house, in Leamore, Walsall, at around 3.28am.

Firefighters from Bloxwich and Walsall discovered a computer which had been left on charge overnight and had caught fire in the living room.

Watch Commander Richard Cooper, of Bloxwich, said the flames spread from the battery pack to the carpet and the settee.

Blockbuster closes

BLOCKBUSTER in Brownhills was due to close this week with the loss of around five jobs.

The store in High Street was to shut on Monday. It follows the closure of Blockbuster in Wednesfield.

Emergency

Budgeted income from car parking was £770,000 between April 1, 2012, and January 31, 2013, but the trust received £910,000.

Jayne Tunstall, chief operating officer at Walsall Healthcare NHS Trust, said: "This winter the trust has seen an increase in patients being admitted to hospital and therefore more people visiting their family and friends. This has resulted in an increase in people using our car parks, resulting in a revenue increase of £140,000."

A system operates costing £1 for 30 minutes, £2 for the first hour and £1 per hour up to a daily maximum of £6. There is a free 15 minute drop off zone outside the Pleck Road entrance and Inpatient Centre.

Manor plans for impact - see page 9

Schoolgirls make a splash



Medal haul from the pool - St Michael's Primary pupils Alicia Dingle and Lauren Rattenberry, both aged 10, from Pelsall, proudly show their swimming medals

TWO 10-year-old schoolgirls from Pelsall made a splash at a county swimming competition and picked up a string of medals.

St Michael's CE Primary School pupils Alicia Dingle and Lauren Rattenberry competed in the Staffordshire Swimming Championships, which were held at Stafford Leisure Centre.

Alicia won the 400m individual medley and picked up silvers in the 200m and 400m freestyle competitions.

Meanwhile, Lauren came out on top by winning the 100m and 50m backstroke.

She also won silver in the 50m butterfly and bronzes in the 400m freestyle and 200m backstroke.

Her quick time in the 100m backstroke meant she has qualified to swim in the Midland championships in June.

Both girls were identified as talented swimmers during school swimming lessons and were given the opportunity to train with Walsall Swimming Club.

Head Ros Hutchinson said pupils from St Michael's CE Primary had qualified for the competition in the past but the school had never had a champion before.

She said the championship event was one of the most popular competitions which swimmers in the region look forward to.

She added: "We are incredibly proud of the girls."

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Principal is appointed at 'studio' style school

A PRINCIPAL has been appointed for Walsall's first studio school.

Dan Parkes will lead Walsall Studio and Sixth Form when it opens in September at the £2.7 million Goldmine Youth Training Centre, built on part of the former Shannon's Mill site.

Studio Schools give youngsters, aged 14 to 19, the chance to learn while doing work experience.

Mr Parkes, from Dudley, will take up the post after 14 years of experience in education across Sandwell, Dudley and Birmingham.

For the past eight years, he has been working at Birmingham Metropolitan College, formerly Matthew Boulton and Sutton Coldfield colleges.

Throughout his career, he has helped develop projects for students and partnerships with employers. He won a TES award for outstanding innovation in 2011.

Mr Parkes said: "I am passionate about real practical teaching where young people achieve the very best they can through hands-on project work in partnership with local employers."

Police seize drug plants in bedroom

A MAN was caught growing thousands of pounds worth of cannabis plants at his Walsall home after learning how to on YouTube, a court heard.

Police searched the home of Robert Humphries in Eden Close, Bentley, and found a set-up for cultivating drugs in a back bedroom. They found 16 plants, a tent, timer switch and other equipment.

The plants, worth £7,200, were seized. The 37-year-old later told police that he had found out how to grow cannabis for personal use on the internet.

Humphries admitted a charge of producing a controlled class B drug at Walsall Magistrates Court.

Mr Nayan Patel, defending, said: "This was for personal use and there was no suggestion of any commercial dealing."

The case was committed to Wolverhampton Crown Court for sentence on April 16.

Thug smashed man in the face with a claw-hammer

A THUG who smashed a man in the face with a claw-hammer, knocking out six of his teeth, has been jailed for nine years.

Father-of-13 Hugh Reid used the weapon to beat Michael Wilkes during a drunken, unprovoked attack in Walsall.

Wolverhampton Crown Court was told that the 54-year-old had been "beckoned" by two acquaintances who were involved in an argument with two of Mr Wilkes's friends.

When the victim tried to intervene and calm the situation, he was hit in the face with the hammer by Reid, prosecutor Miss Cathlyn Orchard told last week's hearing.

In the hours before the attack in Caldmore Green on August 16, the defendant had been at the Samra's nightclub in Walsall. Mr Wilkes was walking home with two of his friends when an argument broke out with two people from another group. It was then that Reid was beckoned over.

Miss Orchard said: "He ran towards Mr Wilkes and struck him across the face with the claw-hammer. The complainant was also struck in the chest. Mr Wilkes was then helped away by his friends, who called for the police and ambulance service."

The court was told that the victim suffered a one-inch cut to his lip and a fractured jaw.

Surgery

As well as the six teeth he lost because of the attack, a further four had to be removed during surgery. A metal plate also had to be fitted to his face.

The defendant told officers that he was so drunk that he did not remember the incident.

Miss Orchard said Reid, who is from Walsall but now lives in Nottinghamshire, had previous convictions for wound-

ing, affray, assault, burglary and possession of a knife and an axe.

Miss Saleema Mahmood, for Reid, said that her client occasionally carried a weapon because he felt "vulnerable" and needed it for protection.

She added: "The offence was motivated by the consumption of a large amount of alcohol. Alcohol appears to have been a large problem in his life for a number of years."

The court heard that on the day of the attack, Reid returned to Walsall to visit some of his children but when he discovered they were unavailable, he met up with some old friends and started drinking.

Jailing Reid, Judge Martin Walsh told him: "You were beckoned over and inflicted, without any degree of provocation, injuries upon Mr Wilkes which were significant."

Council told to say sorry over mistake

WALSALL Council has been criticised for mishandling a planning application and recommended to pay £3,000 in compensation.

The Local Government Ombudsman has found failings in how it handled a planning application for a tyre and exhaust centre. In a report, Dr Jane Martin also criticised the speed at which the council acted to rectify unauthorised redevelopment on some of its own land.

The Ombudsman questioned whether some planning committee members, not referred to by name, should be involved in future decisions on the scheme.

She recommended the council apologise to two complainants, also not named, affected by the application and pay £1,500 to each.

Dr Martin said: "The investigation revealed that the complainants were right to have serious concerns with how the council had dealt with the case, the result of which has caused them undue distress and anxiety."

Duty

"Local planning authorities have a duty to the public to properly consider the impact of any proposed development on its neighbours and the surrounding environment and in this instance Walsall Council fell short of its responsibilities."

An application for repair and minor alteration works was approved in August 2010 for an existing garage site next to the two complainants' homes but how it was handled triggered a complaint to the Ombudsman, who ruled it was incorrectly treated.

It should have been considered for a new-build development rather than being for the renovation of an existing building. An area of public open space behind the application site, owned by the council, was developed as part of the works despite not having authorisation.

In 2012, the council had two chances to approve enforcement action against the developer but, says the Ombudsman, both times failed to properly consider the case for action.

Developers have since been asked to submit a new planning application by the council.

It has also enforced it to restore a piece of land at the rear of the site to its former state.

Walsall Council's executive director for regeneration Tim Johnson said: "The council has co-operated fully with the Ombudsman's investigation and accepts the findings of the report."

He added: "To remedy the complaint, the council has agreed to follow the recommendations made by the Ombudsman and will now submit a report to the council for their consideration as required."

Rotarian celebrates 60 years service



David Partridge, 92, with back from left, Mayoress Kate Anson, Mayor Councillor Dennis Anson, Walsall Rotary Club President Brian Tew, Lord-Lieutenant of the West Midlands Paul Sabapathy CBE, club president's wife Wendy Tew

A TIRELESS fundraiser who has helped raised thousands of pounds for charities has been honoured after becoming the first member of Walsall Rotary Club to give 60 years service.

Grandfather-of-six David Partridge joined the Rotary club in 1953 and has served as president, secretary and been chairman of several committees over six decades.

Members of the club honoured the 92-year-old's long service with a two-course lunch at Calderfields Golf &

Country Club, in Aldridge Road. The club, which has 58 members, has been running since 1921 and raises around £25,000 every year for charities.

Trevor Davies, district governor of the rotary district, read out a list of Mr Partridge's achievements, while Paul Sabapathy, Lord-Lieutenant of the West Midlands, prepared a letter of congratulations which he handed to him.

Walsall's Mayor, Councillor Dennis Anson, also paid tribute to Mr Partridge at the event.

NEWS in brief

Hospital to keep temporary wards

PLANS have been lodged to retain a temporary three-storey block of wards containing around 120 beds at Walsall Manor Hospital.

Walsall Healthcare NHS Trust has applied to keep the building at the Pleck Road hospital, which supports the bed and in-patients wards.

Current planning permission expires in September 2015 and the Trust has applied to Walsall Council to extend it for a further seven years.

Family cycle ride with coffee stop

THE family cycle ride organised by CTC Walsall sets off at 9.30am on Saturday from The Railway Inn, Pelsall, for a 12-mile trip with coffee stop. The Sunday cycle ride will start from The Clock in Pelsall at 9.30am with a trip to the Old Peculier at Handsacr.

Children must be accompanied. For more details call Dave on 07866028154 (Saturday) or Mark on 01922 682962 (Sunday).

Students support No Smoking Day

STUDENTS from Barr Beacon School's Year 12 have used their enrichment time to create a campaign to support No Smoking Day.

This led to them hosting displays and information stands at break and lunch times on Wednesday of last week, to mark the day which urges smokers to quit. They highlighted the help available for smokers to lead a healthier lifestyle.

Motorbike course run by traffic cops

BIKERS preparing for the motorcycle season are encouraged to book onto a police Bikesafe course. Bookings are being taken for the first of the season at the Tally Ho centre in Birmingham this weekend. Biker cops from West Midlands Police deliver the courses twice a month between March and October. Visit www.bikesafe.co.uk

Ramblers to walk a seven-mile route

THE Walsall group of the ramblers will be heading to Tattenhall in Cheshire for a seven-mile walk on Sunday.

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THE BEST OF PETER RHODES



PRESUMABLY the rail companies and Network Rail cheerfully co-operated in the making of the documentary series *The Railway: Keeping Britain on Track* (BBC2). They must be regretting it, for the message, loud and clear week after week, is to avoid trains at all costs. Some passengers are not the sort of people you'd want to share a train with, and let's not even mention the state of the lavatories. This week's revolting scenes of cleaning a carriage at the end of a day's use by the Grim British Public was stomach-churning stuff.

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IF YOU need proof that Britain has a real booze problem, look no further than the assorted slappers, scrappers and scumbags using the trains on The Railway to get to and from Aintree and a public rally. There was a time, not long ago, when being drunk in a public place was enough to earn you a night in the cells and a £5 fine the next morning. For some reason, drunkenness is now tolerated by the cops and getting thumped by drunks seems to be regarded as an occupational hazard by train and platform staff. It is all very well David Cameron and his Cabinet agonising over a minimum price for booze but the problem is not the cheapness of alcohol but the lack of any deterrent against those who can't handle it.

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THAT great national treasure Victoria Wood has attacked "enhanced reality" TV shows such as *The Only Way is Essex* (TOWIE) where ordinary people are encouraged to act out situations. She says it is taking bread out of actors' mouths. Maybe it is. But, like it or not, throughout history from Shakespeare to TOWIE, there has been only one measure of successful drama - will the punters watch it? Sadly, no-one ever lost money by underestimating public taste.

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IT CLEARLY pays to go straight to the top. Last week I printed the email address of Ian Livingston, chief executive of the BT group. In the space of a couple of hours, two readers made contact to tell me how a quick email to ian.livingston@bt.com worked wonders. One had a long-running problem with his BT charge card instantly sorted. Another whose landline and internet had been down since early February was reconnected PDQ.

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RESEARCHERS at the University of Nottingham have developed a test to detect Alzheimer's disease in its earliest stages. And having been diagnosed, what then? What happens to your life insurance policy? Or your travel insurance? Or your driving licence? Even if some drugs can significantly delay the onset of dementia (which is debatable), there is no defence against the consequences of knowing what is coming. Sometimes, ignorance is bliss.

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A READER writes, claiming the "simple answer" to the so-called bedroom tax is for people on benefits with spare bedrooms to adopt a granny. I floated a similar idea a couple of years ago, suggesting pensioners should buddy up, sell two houses and buy one to share. I was promptly slapped down by a self-confessed miserable old git who said he had no desire to share his declining years with another miserable old git.

Don't miss Peter Rhodes every Monday to Friday in your Express & Star

Odeon aiming to open Waterfront cinema

ODEON has been revealed as the cinema chain hoping to open nine-screen complex in Walsall.

The cinema would form part of a £12 million leisure scheme, including bars, shops and restaurants, at Walsall Waterfront. More than 250 jobs would be created.

Odeon, the largest cinema chain in the country with more than 100 sites, is in direct competition with rivals Vue to open in the town centre.

Cordwell Property Group is hoping to build its own £5m leisure complex with a Vue, bars and restaurants next to the town's Tesco superstore, promising 200 jobs.

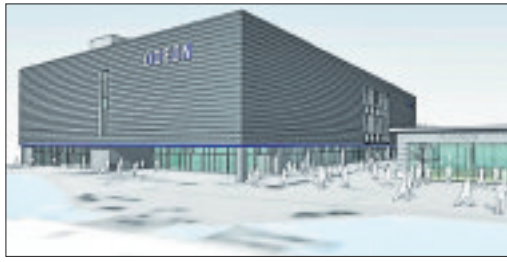
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Waterfront project held at public exhibition about the plan at The New Art Gallery Walsall last week. Artists' impressions of the scheme were revealed.

The 64,500sq ft project, earmarked for the north side of the canal, includes 36,800sq ft for restaurants and bars, plus around 200 car parking spaces. Kier plans to upgrade the walkway on the northern side of the canal with a new footpath and landscaping.

Bosses behind the scheme said the development will help revitalise the town centre.

A planning application is due to be submitted later this month.



An artist's impression of how Walsall's new Odeon cinema would look

Council to rescue business project

THE PHOENIX 10 site in Walsall, poised for a multi-million pound transformation into a business park, will be taken over by the council so the scheme can forge ahead.

Members of the council's decision-making cabinet last week agreed to lead the scheme. The authority will take on the land, off Darlaston Road and Reservoir Place, to help with reclamation work and the development of the site. It comes after the preferred developer pulled out.

Regeneration chief Adrian Andrew told the meeting: "We are stepping in to drive this project forward. This is a major site, not only within an Enterprise Zone but within the

Jail for thief who had 95 convictions

A PROLIFIC shoplifter with 95 previous convictions for dishonesty has been jailed after being caught trying to steal two bottles of spirits from Tesco in Walsall.

The town's magistrates heard how John Graham was caught when a member of the public alerted staff after they saw him trying to hide the bottles under his clothing.

The 45-year-old of Bilston Lane, Willenhall, admitted the theft on March 4.

In mitigation, Mrs Debbie Starrs said Graham had entered a timely guilty plea.

She also said he had been given a drug rehabilitation requirement last August for another offence and was currently on medication.

The judge gave Graham a 12-week prison sentence and ordered him to pay £43.30 compensation.

Black Country, to create jobs for the citizens of the Black Country as well as Walsall."

Council leader Mike Bird said there were no fears about Phoenix 10 being scrapped. He added: "This is not dead, it is far from it, it is still going forward as a prime project."

Jobs

The council will acquire all the 37-acre site and then appoint a specialist contractor to push forward plans for the business park.

The main landowner is currently the Homes and Communities Agency (HCA), which had been working on finalising a deal but developer Parkhill Estates dropped out.

The council is taking control of the management of the scheme which is expected to create 3,000 jobs as part of the Enterprise Zone.

Meanwhile, £1.2 million of school improvement across Walsall was also backed last week. The cash will be spent on a dozen junior, primary and secondary schools across the borough.

New nursing team



New nurses recruited by Dudley and Walsall Mental Health Partnership NHS Trust

NEW mental nurses hired by Dudley and Walsall Mental Health Partnership NHS Trust may prove to be just what the doctor ordered.

The 24 newly-qualified nurses will work with adults of all ages diagnosed with mental health conditions at hospitals and units across Walsall and Dudley, increasing the service's ability to help vulnerable patients.

This latest round of recruitment represents a big change for the service, which has

supported some of the nurses through their university studies.

Wendy Pugh, Director of Operations and Nursing for Dudley and Walsall Mental Health Partnership NHS Trust, said: "This is an important achievement for the Trust and its nursing workforce. It will allow us to continue to put quality at the heart of our patient care."

To insure the highest level of care, the nurses will now undertake a 12 month in-house developmental programme.

Shopfitter stole from storeroom

A SHOPFITTER who stole thousands of pounds of electrical items from a Walsall superstore has been given a suspended jail sentence.

Jamie Andrews was working for a contractor at Asda Living but was caught taking items from the stockroom by a member of staff.

Walsall Magistrates Court heard that the 29-year-old's car was searched. A BlackBerry phone, three PlayStations, three digital cameras, learning computers and games were found hidden inside a bag.

Mr Nick Baker, prosecuting, said he admitted stealing the items in a bid to get money for his family. Andrews had been subcontracted to work in the Asda store. He saw an unlocked cage containing high-value items in a storeroom and helped himself.

Baby

Andrews, of Glyn Collen, Cardiff, admitted theft worth £1,228 on October 21. In mitigation, Mr Zafar Rashid said he was experiencing financial difficulties and his partner recently had a premature baby. "He is remorseful for what he has done. His partner has left him as she could not cope with the repercussions of his actions and he lost his job," he added.

He was given an eight-week jail sentence, suspended for 12 months, and ordered to carry out 80 hours unpaid work and pay compensation, along with court costs of £85 and a victim surcharge of £80.

Bright idea for charity

WORKERS from Walsall-based HomeServe raised more than £1,500 for charity on the company's annual Wear Yellow To Work Day.

A yellow Lamborghini was parked up at the Cable Drive site as part of the campaign to raise cash for Marie Curie Cancer Care. As well as paying £1 to wear yellow, hundreds of staff entered a charity draw to win a race day in the sports car.

The company has donated £1,175,000 to Marie Curie Care in the past three years.

The Wear Yellow to Work Day is part of the Marie Curie Great Daffodil Appeal, a month-long national campaign to encourage people to donate a £1 for a daffodil pin.

On April 26 staff from the company's Walsall, Preston and Banbury sites will be trekking to the summit of Snowdon to raise cash for the charity.

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Arts and crafts for OAPs in borough

A RANGE of free arts activities for older people are being run across Walsall borough as part of a £10,000 project.

Sessions ranging from French knitting to sculpture will be on offer as part of the therapeutic art project to boost health and wellbeing among the elderly.

Funding has been provided for the scheme from the Big Lottery and will be run by not-for-profit housing, health and social care provider the Accord Group with the West Bromwich-based charity Sandwell Third Age Arts.

Sessions

Older people across Walsall will be able to get involved in drop-in sessions including willow sculpture and textile projects.

Sessions will be held at six extra care schemes managed by the Accord Group in Pleck, Bloxwich, Beechdale, Moxley and Pelsall during this month and April and May.

Nicole Beeching, health and well-being manager at Accord Group, said: "We've worked really closely with older people to devise activities that they'll enjoy and pick up easily, even if they've never tried them before."

"With more than 45,000 people in Walsall aged over 65, we think that there's a real need for activities like this." For more information call Pat Roberts on 07876 034507.

Garden waste is being collected

GARDENERS in Walsall will be pleased to hear the council has re-introduced its brown bin collections.

Pelsall and Brownhills were the first to have their garden waste picked up earlier this month with other areas following on.

As part of the re-introduction the green bin recycling collections will revert to fortnightly and will alternate with garden waste collections.

Walsall environment boss Councillor Tom Ansell said: "Now is the perfect time to start clearing out your garden ready for the Spring and we are delighted to be able to offer this brown bin service for our residents."

For further advice and assistance contact the council's call centre on 01922 653344.

Cars were gone in 60 seconds

MOTORISTS in Walsall and Birmingham were targeted as part of a car theft racket worth more than £250,000, which has seen two brothers locked up.

Ravinder and Ajay Soni stole 12 BMWs worth £250,000 and an Audi Q7 in the space of just 20 days between January and February last year. They struck across Birmingham but also targeted drivers in Oldbury, Tividale and Walsall.

The pair smashed windows to get into the cars but, once inside, used technical expertise to start the vehicles they had targeted, Birmingham Crown Court heard.

Police said it was an organised and sophisticated operation, with some cars being stolen in just 60 seconds.

The brothers were caught after stealing a sporty BMW from a hotel car park in Hagley Road, Ladywood.

It had been fitted with a tracking device which led police to a lock up in Brierley Hill's Old Bush Industrial Estate where other forensic evidence was found.

Traced

Detectives also traced gloves and tools from the unit to a Halfords store where they found CCTV footage showing Ajay Soni paying for the items.

Ravinder, aged 22, and Ajay Soni, 20, both of Knightlow Road in Harborne, were both found guilty of conspiracy to

steal motor vehicles and were locked up for four years on March 6. As well as areas of the Black Country, the brothers struck in Birmingham city centre, Selly Oak, Edgbaston and Harborne.

Accomplice Amar Ali, aged 22, from Oxford Road, Moseley, admitted handling stolen goods and was jailed for 27 months last week.

Detective Constable Matt Dyer said: "This was an organised, sophisticated operation with high performance cars being stolen in less than 60 seconds. Their method of entry was somewhat rudimentary but once inside they clearly demonstrated technical skill to start the engine very quickly."

Shock as vases are stolen from graves

THIEVES have stolen flowers and vases left at a Walsall cemetery, sparking a warning for people to be on their guard.

Two flower baskets and a vase have been taken from Streetly Cemetery, leaving family members in shock. Council chiefs said staff would monitor the situation and urged anyone who sees anything suspicious to alert police.

A family member, who did not want to be named, said it had been very upsetting. It is believed the items, which have been on a grave for around 12 months, were taken between 4pm and 5pm on March 6.

"You don't expect things to be stolen from a grave," she said. "We know they are only material things but it's not about the cost. We like to keep the grave looking nice. It's very upsetting."

"We spoke to other people at the cemetery who said they had also had things taken from the grave."

Valuable

Walsall has 125 acres of burial grounds, open to the public 365 days a year during most daylight hours.

Leisure chief Councillor Anthony Harris said: "Families are advised not to leave valuable items on graves and visitors who report suspected thefts are encouraged to inform the police locally. Any suspicious activity should also be reported."

"The issue is being monitored as council staff continue to be vigilant during their normal working hours and part-time patrol officers are watching at locking-up time and at weekends."

There are CCTV cameras covering the area around the Crematorium building at Streetly Cemetery, in Little Hardwick Road, Streetly. But there are no cameras in the cemetery grounds.



Firefighter Steve Wilks from Walsall white watch with nursery pupils Josiah Laxman and Eleanor McArthur, both aged four, at Hydesville Tower School

Thrilling lessons from a fire crew

THERE was no need to raise the alarm when a fire engine arrived at a school, to the excitement of young pupils.

Members of the white watch crew from Walsall fire station visited Hydesville Tower School in Walsall to meet the pupils and let them see a fire engine up close.

The children were able to take turns in trying on a helmet, sitting in the cab of the fire engine and looking at the equipment, including the hose.

Community

Firefighters were invited to the school on Broadway North as part of a study by nursery pupils who are looking at people within the community who help them.

It was hailed as a success by delighted staff and pupils. Head of Nursery Sam Smith said: "The visit was part of the children's personal, social and emotional development. We want our children to feel excited and motivated to learn."

"Meeting people like firefighters also helps the children understand who's who in their community."

NEWS in brief

Club's kit gift for African footballers

MEMBERS of a Walsall football club jetted off to the Gambia in Africa last week to give £2,000 worth of kit, equipment and money to an overseas football team.

The seven committee members from Pelsall Villa Colts FC were making the donation to Unity Football Academy.

The club has been associated with the Unity for Kids charity since 2007.

The Walsall club has held numerous fundraisers, including race nights and quiz nights, to help both the junior and senior teams.

Supreme Court visit by students

A WALSALL school made history when it brought the 250,000th visitor to the Supreme Court. Sixth form students from Joseph Leckie Academy, in Delves, visited the London court.

Since the Supreme Court opened in October 2009, it has attracted more than 70,000 visitors a year.

Head of sixth form Raj Ghale said the trip had helped bring law studies to life for students from the secondary school.

Laura is the new carnival queen

A FORMER Willenhall Carnival rosebud has fulfilled her dream of being crowned carnival queen as preparations get under way for this year's event.

Winner Laura Weston, 23, from Willenhall impressed the panel of independent judges to win.

This year's event is planned for June 15 and will see the return of many of traditional favourites, including stalls, a fair and of course, the floats.

Space talk will be out of this world

SPACE The Final Frontier is the title of an evening exploring space with Alan Ledbury from Walsall Astronomical Society at Rushall Community Centre, in Springfield, tomorrow night (Friday) from 7.30. Tickets are £2 including refreshments. Call 01922 442956.

Roadworks soon coming to an end

HIGHWAYS maintenance work is being carried out in Walhouse Road, between Lower Rushall Street and Broadway North. Restrictions are to operate between 8am and 3pm but are due to end tomorrow (Friday).

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NEWS FEATURE

IN MY VIEW

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FORGET minimum pricing for alcohol, coffee abuse is the real menace we need to get to grips with if the latest advertisement for the Costa chain is anything to go by.

To those who haven't yet had the joy, a young coffee-shop worker appears to have imbibed so much of the dreaded caffeine that he starts hallucinating about a line up of people buried up to their neck in coffee beans, their disembodied heads all nodding manically to a sinister soundtrack including the lyric: In the darkness, there's so much I wanna do.

A man, who it should be noted, bears a worrying resemblance to the fellow in the Cortina who used to hang around school gates in those old Say No To Strangers public information broadcasts from the 1970s.

I have long suspected that little good comes out of these trendy coffee-shop chains which always seem to be packed with earnest young people who take life very seriously, and it has often struck me that they would be far happier down the pub.

I always assumed they were plotting some sort of global revolution, some new world order where war is a thing of the past, apples are for all alike, and everybody lives in peace and happiness.

But, thanks to the Costa adverts, we now realise that their plans are altogether darker. They are all harbouring twisted fantasies about burying us alive in coffee beans while listening to Kiss's greatest hits.

Which puts a spot of light bawling on a Saturday night into perspective.

BLACK Country mon goes into the hardware shop to buy some paintbrush cleaner.

"Ave yo' gorr any turps?" he asks. "Ar," replies the assistant. "Yo' want VHS or Betamax."

IN what surely sounds like an early April Fool's Day prank, it emerges that the police-backed Crimestoppers organisation is to distribute scratch-and-sniff cards scented with cannabis across the West Midlands force area.

Apparently, the idea is that by making people more familiar with the sweet smell of marijuana, they are more likely to notice whether or not they are living next to a drugs factory.

You would not think it was beyond the wit of even the most incurious neighbours to wonder whether the pungent odour emanating from the empty house next door is a symptom of some sort of nefarious goings on. But no, it seems that we have all got to get a whiff of the exotic tobacco, just to be sure, you understand.

Presumably the scratchcards will be harmless enough, but has it not crossed anybody's mind that some people, particularly the young, will view them as a little more than a free sample.



Alison Grady, of Sutton Coldfield, with fellow fans Lydia Radford, Pat Rivara and Bernie O'Reilly



Event organiser Ian Roberts, left, with Gary Jones, who was selling merchandise during the weekend



Ben Mills, left, and guitarist Jim Cregan who performed in their band Cregan & Co at the event

The fans return to pay homage to Rod

Hundreds of music fans devoted to veteran rocker Rod Stewart came to Walsall for an annual weekend event dedicated to 'Rod the Mod', LISA O'BRIEN joined them

A BIG weekend event dedicated to legendary rocker Rod Stewart returned to Walsall for the third consecutive year and saw hundreds of his fans descend on the Saddlers Club.

The three-day event, held from Friday to Sunday, saw the singer's sister and former musical director and co-song writer visit the town.

The event, which featured live music and fans bidding in an auction to get their hands on signed memorabilia donated by the Grammy and Brit Award winning singer, was organised by the Rod Stewart Fan Club.

As the Maggie May singer prepares to release a brand new original rock album in the spring, after a spell performing crooner standards, fans enjoyed their old favourites boomed out by live bands.

Charities

The Faces Experience brought fans back to the 68-year-old star's early days, while his big hits were played by Cregan & Co, featuring Rod's ex-musical director Jim Cregan on guitar and former X-Factor star Ben Mills.

For the past 12 years, the event has helped to pull in more than £60,000 for charities and around £6,000 was expected to be raised for the Cardiac Risk in the Young charity from this year's event.

Organiser Ian Roberts said: "It pulls in people from across the world from America, Australia, Brazil, everywhere."

"Rod donates items of stage wear to raise money. We have a signed jacket which some of the fans will have seen him wear at a concert. They are desperate to get their hands on it. Things like that can go for a lot of money."



John Stables, aged 69, of Nottingham, dresses as Rod Stewart for the event

Fans also swapped stories and shared their memories of the star and his music.

Great grandfather-of-two Chris Collins, aged 60, of Habberley Estate, Kidderminster, said: "He's a very good song writer. He had the biggest songs in the 1970s."

"I met him at a record signing in

all his songs," she said. "He's really good looking and down to earth."

Father-of-three Malcolm Waller, aged 59, who travelled from Hatfield, Hertfordshire, said he was just 15 when he fell in love with the singer's music.

"His music is just infectious," the ventilation engineer said. "I must have been to 50 or 60 of his concerts. My own children have been brought up listening to him."

"You meet some great people at things like this. I've been coming for 12 years and it's great to see the same old faces."

Brian Howell, aged 54, of Liverpool, admitted running on stage to give the singer a scarf when he saw him in Las Vegas last October, while 41-year-old Stefano Pavesi, who travelled from Milan in Italy just for the event, said: "Rod is my idol. He was on my bedroom wall from 1978. I've met him three times."

Jim Cregan, aged 67, who was an original member of Rod's first solo group, took to the stage on Saturday night with his band Cregan & Co.

He described his 18-year history of writing songs and touring with Rod as a 'great job', adding: "He first saw me play in a club in LA. He's lovely. We are best friends."

Singer 33-year-old Ben Mills said: "We played the big weekend last year. They are a great audience to play to. I always was a Rod Stewart fan."

Rod's sister, 84-year-old Mary Cady, from Berkshire, who came along to support the event, said she was very proud of her younger brother and still goes along to his concerts.

"It's lovely that everyone gets together for this weekend every year," she said. "I come to every one of them. When I go home I can't wait until next year's."

Rod came to prominence in the late 1960s and early 1970s with The Jeff Beck Group and then the Faces. He launched his solo career in 1969 with his debut album An Old Raincoat Won't Ever Let You Down and has sold more than 100 million records worldwide. His hits include Sailing, Tonight's The Night and Do Ya Think I'm Sexy.

THROUGH THE YEARS

1983...

THE search began in Wolverhampton to find companies to take on unemployed youngsters as part of the government's new Youth Training Scheme. It replaced the Young Opportunities Programme, which had been criticised due to some employers giving youngsters mundane jobs.

DUDLEY council tenants and home owners were urged to rent out their spare rooms to cope with a predicted 50,000 tourists a week in the borough.

Council chiefs spent £30,000 publicising attractions such as Dudley Zoo and the Black Country Museum, but were concerned about the dearth of bed and breakfast accommodation.

BRITISH Rail opened a new multi-million pound train station in Oldbury. The Sandwell and Dudley station was expected to cost around £2 million.

1993...

COUNCIL workers in Wolverhampton were facing up to a complete ban on smoking at their desks. Under proposed changes special smoking areas would be provided for staff desperate to light up. However, a report to the council's personnel committee warned this could cost a packet.

EVERY job vacancy in Staffordshire was being chased by around 64 people, as unemployment in the county soared.

A report by the Staffordshire Economic Monitor revealed that unemployment in the county shot up by 18 per cent to 48,000. However, unemployment in the region was still lower than the national average.

LENNY Henry was named BBC Personality of the Year by the Television and Radio Industries Club. The Dudley-born comedian beat off competition from Noel Edmunds and Ian McShane.

2003...

A WOLVES-MAD Black Country mother-of-three was jumping for joy after scooping a National Lottery jackpot to win £2,000 every month for the rest of her life. Carol Hellend from Wednesbury matched three symbols on a scratchcard.

A SIXTH-FORMER at a Wolverhampton school was rewarded with a watch - after not missing a single lesson in more than five years. Jonathan Ball clocked up the astonishing attendance record at Northcote School, Bushbury.

COUNCIL leaders in Wolverhampton mounted a costly new bid to woo reluctant voters back to the polls. A special guide to voting, costing around £20,000 to produce, was distributed to 100,000 homes across the city in the run up to council elections.

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'Bedroom tax' to hit divorced and separated parents

POOR families who have broken up and share custody of their children, two or three or more nights per week, are being made to suffer by this Government's disgraceful 'bedroom tax'. It is an attack on failed partnerships and marriages and their children will suffer.

The none custodial partner (usually the father) living in council or social housing, will be forced to pay 14 per cent extra rent per week or 25 per cent extra for two spare bedrooms.

Up to 66 per cent of council or social housing tenants are benefit claimants, and will not be able to pay the bedroom tax to keep one or two spare bedrooms for their children's weekly visits.

Smaller

They will have to move to a smaller property and will not be able to have their children stay with them.

Yet another piece of legislation introduced by this so called 'fair' Government, which is constantly acting before putting brains into gear.

These broken relationships and marriages are suffering enough through benefit cuts without being forced to have the means of having their children stay with them taken away also.

Instead of the penny communications tax, this Government decides to hit poor broken families and children to raise funds and lower the country's borrowing.

Shame on them.

A PARKER,
Marston Street,
Willenhall

LETTERS

IF campaign is united in call for international aid

HUNGER and malnutrition traps almost one billion people on our Earth in poverty. West Midlands campaigners have come together to tackle this as part of the new 'IF' campaign launched by over 150 of Britain's leading development charities and faith groups, the largest coalition of its kind in the UK since Make Poverty History in 2005.

Great strides have been made in reducing poverty but hunger is threatening to reverse these achievements. Hard-working poor farmers, especially women and their children, and vulnerable and ordinary people everywhere face the highest food prices in a generation. In the UK, the numbers of people using food banks has risen sharply. Climate change is making things even worse.

We are currently asking our West Midlands MPs to ensure internationally agreed aid levels are provided in the UK Budget and that poor countries are helped to stop corporate tax-dodgers depriving them of much needed funds for development.

If enough people join us in showing support for ending hunger, world leaders will be forced to act. Join us at www.enoughfoodif.org

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Student Christian Movement West Midlands;
Wolverhampton Poverty Action Group;
AMANDA BAKER,
Senior Officer, The Vegan Society

Furze-Green plea

I AM trying to trace descendants of my great aunt and uncle, Phoebe Edith Furze, married in Walsall 1912 to Sidney Green. They had five or six children born between 1912-1934 in Walsall.

Any help would be appreciated to complete our

family tree. Please contact Bill Thomason on 01617776823 or 07999245594, or email thomasonw@rocketmail.com.

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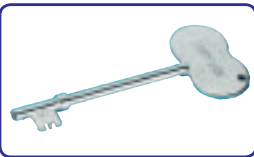
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Tributes to former health boss

TRIBUTES have been paid to the former chairman of Walsall District Health Authority, who has died aged 92.

Sir Arthur Hill CBE died just weeks after the death of his wife, Lady Alma Hill. The father-of-three was described as "one of Walsall's great gentlemen".

Sir Arthur was born in 1920 and was educated at Langley High School and Halesowen Technical College. During the Second World War, he served in India, the Far East and Middle East with the RAF.

He carried out numerous voluntary roles, including as a member of Rowley Regis Youth Organisation, Rowley Regis Rotary Club and a governor at Halesowen Grammar School.

He stood as a Conservative parliamentary

candidate for Rowley Regis and Tipton in 1955 and Aston in 1970.

He was personal assistant to his wife Alma during her campaign as Conservative parliamentary candidate for Walsall South in 1979.

In 1980, he was awarded a CBE and in 1989 a knighthood for his work.

He leaves behind daughters Allison and Christine, son Stephen and four grandchildren. Stephen Hill paid tribute to his father, who died in February, and said he was passionate about politics and travelling.

"He was very much loved by his wife and children," he said.

Council leader Mike Bird said Sir Arthur was a great friend and paid tribute to his work in the borough.

"He was one of Walsall's great gentlemen and his death will leave a great void," he said.



Sir Arthur Hill CBE

Butcher is top of the chops – again



Brownhills butchers Darren Symes, left, Justin Frost, centre and Mitch Kay, celebrate winning for the third year

A BUTCHERS in Brownhills has proved it is a cut above after winning a national award. Darren Symes Butchers picked up a gong in a competition run by a network that promotes local businesses.

It was named the Most Loved Butchers in the UK in the contest. It is the third year in a row that Darren Symes has picked up the award.

Mr Symes said: "We were up against other butchers from across England. It's all judged on customer recommendations, so it's extra special."

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Bandanas of hope at school



Wearing a bandana with price – Ben Sambrook, 13, front, with mother Sharon, sister Emily, 10, pupils and staff
THERE was a sea of bandanas as pupils at a Walsall school gave their support in aid of brain tumour awareness.

Youngsters and staff at Cooper & Jordan Primary in Aldridge raised hundreds of pounds for the Ben Sambrook Trust Fund. It has been set up by the family of 13-year-old Ben to collect cash for the Brain Tumour Charity.

The Bandanas for Brain Tumours Day saw 500 youngsters involved. Bandanas from the charity were available to

buy, while pupils could bring their own or wear a hat. It cost £1 to wear one and more than £700 was collected.

Ben, from Aldridge, was diagnosed with a malignant tumour more than five years ago, which he overcame, but last year it emerged he had suffered a relapse.

Staff and pupils at Aldridge School also held a themed non-uniform day to raise money for the charity, which has collected more than £90,000 towards research.

Manor plans for impact

A PLAN is being drawn up by Walsall Manor bosses to cope with the proposed downgrade of Stafford and Cannock hospitals.

Hundreds of extra patients may be sent to the Manor if services are stripped from Mid Staffordshire NHS Foundation Trust. Walsall Healthcare NHS Trust said it was assessing the possible impact on the hospital, including the need for new staff.

Bosses insist it is not yet known exactly what extra services the Manor may be asked to provide but prepara-

tions are under way to deal with changes. Chief executive Richard Kirby said: "We would have to make sure we have enough capacity and staff to treat these patients."

Serious cases face being transferred to Walsall, Wolverhampton and Stoke after health watchdog Monitor found the Mid Staffs trust to be financially and clinically unstable.

Anticipated

If the proposals are implemented, it is anticipated additional maternity services would come from Staffordshire to Walsall.

"If that happens we would expect to

see a number of Staffordshire mums coming here," added Mr Kirby.

It comes after Mid Staffordshire NHS Foundation Trust was rocked by a national scandal surrounding poor care and hundreds of needless deaths.

Meanwhile, Walsall Manor Hospital has been praised by the Health Secretary for listening to its patients. In a speech, Jeremy Hunt singled out the Moat Road hospital and commended the steps it has taken to introduce a patient survey.

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Super cyclist



Inspired – Matthew Campbell, 31, of Willenhall, cycled to work dressed as Captain America for Comic Relief THOSE who see Captain America riding along one of the region's busiest routes may be left rubbing their eyes in disbelief. Fundraiser Matthew Campbell is pulling on the comic book hero's suit to ride from his home in Willenhall to Wolverhampton's Grand Theatre every day – all in the name of charity.

The 31-year-old was making the daily 10-mile round trip from Clarkes Lane, which takes him along the busy Willenhall Road, every day last week for Comic Relief.

Matthew, who works on the stage door, said the death of his siblings Luke and Henrietta in 2008 inspired him to live life to the full. The father-of-two said: "I'm at the age where you realise what life is about..."

His sponsor page has a target of £65 but the former Stourbridge College lecturer is hoping to surpass that figure.

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Bid to bring closed care home back for new use

A NURSING home in Brownhills which closed following a damning report could be brought back into use.

Plans lodged with Walsall Council explain that Chase Nursing Home, in Vicarage Road, has been put on the market and a prospective buyer has expressed an interest.

An application to the authority seeks to remove a planning restriction that says the building must be used as a nursing home.

by Lisa O'Brien

A report, submitted to the council, says the interested party needs to have unrestricted use within the Residential Institution category.

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Under the category, the building could be used as a care home, hospital, nursing home, boarding school, residential college or training centre.

Chase Nursing Home closed last October. It was issued with a formal warning following a damning report from the Care Quality Commission.

Inspectors from the CQC warned provider, Heritage Healthcare (Midlands) Ltd, that it needed to do more to protect residents' safety and welfare. The report said improvements were needed in relation to consent to care and treatment and the management of medicines.

Walsall Council terminated its contract with the home and helped residents find alternative services and new homes.

A decision is due to be made by the council in the upcoming months.

Mayor re-opens historic pharmacy

A PHARMACY dating back more than a century has officially reopened after a revamp. Mayor of Walsall, Councillor Dennis Anson, opened A Karim's after the Victorian building in Kinnerley Street, Chuckery, was empty for two years. Pharmacist Naz Khidja spent about £140,000 restoring it.

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Football legend helping hospice



Steve Staunton at St Giles Walsall Hospice, centre with from left, Zoe Martin, trustee at the Stephen Staunton Foundation, St Giles fundraiser Sharon White, clinical nursing manager Helen Reeves and fundraiser Jenny Chin

A MIDLANDS footballing legend has helped St Giles Hospice in Walsall kick off their 30th anniversary anniversary year with a donation of more than £5,000.

Ex-Villa, Saddlers and Republic of Ireland star Steve Staunton raised the money with a ball held at Aston Wood Golf Club last October. The event saw 300 people turn up and donate money to the Stephen Staunton Foundation.

The former defender added that he understood the differ-

ence the charity made to people's lives after a friend, Bloxwich resident Elaine Fletcher was cared for by the charity before her death, aged 54.

Helen Relihan, Head of Fundraising for St Giles Hospice, says: "It's great to have Steve onside for the hospice - his fundraising events have been incredibly well received and we are extremely thankful that he has given his time and effort to supporting our work."

Knife attack sentence reduced

A TEENAGER from Walsall responsible for a motiveless knife attack has seen his sentence reduced by three years but lost a bid to clear his name.

Scott Coley, 19, was convicted of attempted murder and locked up for 18 years at Shrewsbury Crown Court in November. His sentence has now been reduced to 15 years by judges at the Appeal Court in London.

Coley, of Hawthorn Road, Sheffield, stabbed David Walton seven times to the head and body, leaving him with life-changing injuries.

After a heavy cannabis session, Coley dressed in dark clothing, put on a balaclava and crept into his neighbour's house just after midnight on

July 31, 2011. Armed with a "Rambo-style" knife, he stabbed Mr Walton numerous times before the victim was able to fight him off. Mr Walton only survived thanks to the actions of a neighbour and paramedics.

Insanity

Coley said he had no memory of the attack. Psychiatrists claimed Coley probably suffered a cannabis-induced psychotic episode and may have been acting out the role of a character in a violent video game he had played. At the trial, his lawyers argued that he should be able to rely on the defences of 'insanity' and 'automatism'.

Judge Robin Onions said Coley had put himself in that state voluntarily by smoking the strong cannabis and, at least in part, knew what he was doing.

At the appeal hearing, Coley's lawyers argued that the conviction was 'unsafe'. Lord Justice Hughes rejected that argument, saying the judge was correct to find Coley's case was one of "voluntary intoxication".

But he said Coley's young age had to be taken into account. He added: "We are persuaded that a term of 18 years did not in the end make sufficient adjustment for the youth and otherwise impeccable character of the defendant. A sentence approaching 20 years custody is a very long one indeed for a young man of 17 to 18 and will find him a much different person by the time it is over."

"We think that the appropriate sentence for this young man for the appalling offence he committed is one of 15 years."

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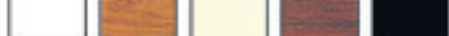
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Father and son denying sex charges

A MAN from Walsall was remanded in custody after pleading not guilty to trafficking for sexual exploitation.

Inre Orsos, aged 49, of Weston Street, Caldmore appeared at Walsall Magistrates Court.

His son Roland, 20, of the same address, was bailed after denying intentionally controlling a woman in relation to prostitution.

The case was committed to Wolverhampton Crown Court to be heard on June 5.

Approval of extension at gipsy site sparks anger

ANGRY parish councillors in Cheslyn Hay are demanding answers and have written to their MP after plans to extend a gipsy site in the village were approved.

Parish council chairman Bob Denson has also sent a letter to bosses at South Staffordshire Council. It comes after the district council approved proposals to extend the gipsy site at The Pony Paddock, in Hospital Lane, Cheslyn Hay last month.

Councillor Denson has also written a letter to South Staffordshire MP Gavin Williamson expressing his concerns. He said: "Originally planning permission

was given for family members who had nowhere to live. Now it seems it is just getting bigger and bigger and it's on green belt land so we are angered about that."

Mr Denson said members were even more unhappy because the district council turned down plans to erect a building at an allotment site off Pinfold Lane, Cheslyn Hay, for use by disabled people and youngsters.

He added: "The parish council is going to resurrect the plans on behalf of the allotments association."

At a heated South Staffordshire Council planning meeting, fears were expressed that the gipsy site would grow to create "a small village on the fringes of Cheslyn Hay"

Artists help to brighten up hospital



Staffordshire artist Ann Hackett exhibits work in the corridors at the Manor Hospital

AN ARTIST from Great Wyrley has added a splash of colour to the walls of Walsall Manor Hospital.

Pieces by Ann Hackett have gone on display. Rushall artist Fred Mason is also exhibiting his work at the Manor.

Debbie Hill, who works in estates and facilities at the hospital, said the pictures were helping to brighten up the hospital for patients and their visitors.

Sale

More than 30 paintings are included in the exhibition. Mrs Hill said: "Over the past 12 months, we have had exhibition space at the hospital for local artists to show off their work."

"We try to encourage local artists to display their paintings. Some are also up for sale."

Twenty four of Mrs Hackett's paintings including landscapes and contemporary pieces have gone on display.

The paintings are on display at the in-patient entrance at the hospital and outside the women and children's ward.

Mrs Hill added: "The paintings brighten up the hospital for our patients and visitors."

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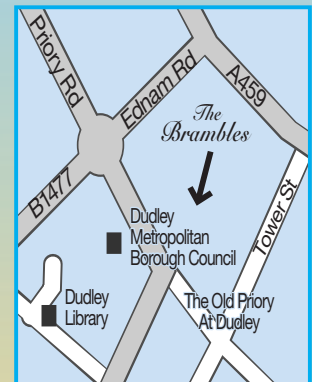
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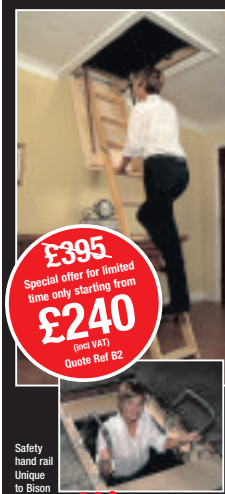
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NEWS

Army being sent in to make school pupils fit

Characters launch library



Staff and pupils at Lodge Farm JMI School in Willenhall dressed up as book characters to celebrate the opening of their new library

SUPERHEROES and princesses helped to mark the official opening of a revamped library at a school in Willenhall.

The room at Lodge Farm JMI has been transformed with the help of a £10,000 grant from the Big Lottery Fund.

Pupils and staff marked the official

celebration by bringing forward World Book Day and dressing up as characters.

The revamp of the library has seen an Under the Sea theme.

The ribbon cutting celebration involved headboy and girl Taylor Sheldon and Aimee Dhadha, both aged 10.

CHILDREN from across Walsall may soon be given their marching orders as a new military-style fitness programme is introduced into schools.

Commando Joes', a scheme backed by the Department for Education, sends trained ex-military personnel into schools to teach youngsters about fitness. The aim is to get them into shape using softer versions of military techniques.

The scheme has already seen success in Edgar Stammers primary school in Harden Road, Coalpool, which was the first in the borough to invite the ex-ser vice personnel in to train pupils.

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Mike Hamilton, Director of Commando Joes', said: "We're really excited to be bringing Commando Joes' to Walsall schools."

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The programme has been operating in 50 schools in the north west of England before being rolled out to Walsall.

Commando Joes' is employing over 40 ex-services personnel to help teachers and schools raise attainment, education and behaviour nationwide.

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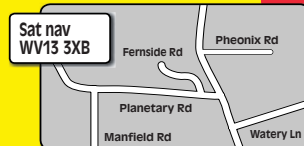
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NEWS

Brewery tours are part of Backyard's expansion

TOURS will be launched at a revamped brewery in Brownhills next month and bosses have announced plans to expand the range of beers on offer.

The Backyard Brewhouse at the Gatehouse Trading Estate recently quadrupled its beer production after completing a £250,000 expansion.

Bosses are now preparing to bring out a new beer, followed by three more in the next two years as staff experiment with different ingredients.

Director Austen Morgan said: "We were looking at starting the tours towards the end of the month but we are putting that off for about a month. We will take group bookings and I will lead the tours."

Tasters

"They will be able to see the brewery and the process in an informal way. There will be tasters available. I'm hoping it will raise our profile."

"We are going to be producing two new beers this year and there may be a third around Christmas. They will be new IPAs. "There's going to be a total of four new beers over the next two years. It will be available in pubs only."

The brewery has recently undergone a transformation, including the installation of new equipment and getting a delivery van. The investment has been funded by a private backer and has already created two new sales jobs, with the potential for more.

Mr Morgan said there would also be capacity at the site to increase production by 15 to 20 per cent in the future to cope with potential demand.

Decades of dance

A CHARITY dance is being held in Aldridge on Saturday. Dance Through The Years will include a band and is at Aldridge Social Club, High Street, from 8pm. Tickets are £8 in aid of the Soldiers, Sailors, Airmen and Families Association. Call 01922 866545.

Jack saves his gran



Young hero - Jack Morgan, aged seven, from Walsall Wood, with his grandmother Patricia Randall, 80, who was injured in a fall

A SEVEN-YEAR-OLD schoolboy has been hailed a hero after taking inspiration from Fireman Sam and calling 999 when his grandmother suffered a fall.

Jack Morgan sprung into action after Patricia Randall fell and hurt herself in the back garden of her home in Walsall Wood. The youngster took inspiration from the children's cartoon character to call the emergency services and get help for the 80-year-old.

Mrs Randall had gone outside to feed the birds in the garden of her Druids Walk home when she fell. Jack was inside watching a film when he heard her scream.

The youngster called 999 and then got a neighbour to help. Paramedics arrived to take Mrs Randall, who had suffered a broken wrist and cuts, to the Manor Hospital.

Grandmother-of-eight Mrs Randall said: "He is absolutely marvellous, he is a little star."

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NEWS

Bostin' exhibition to highlight legends



Getting the exhibition at The Public up and running are Fred Barnfield, Loz Hipkiss, Billy Spakemon, Barney Snow, Ranbir Kaur, Brendan Jackson, Jack Cook, Shaun Howen, Victoria Richards and Bally Ravenhill

AN EXHIBITION series celebrating the charm, quirkiness and characters of the Black Country has opened at The Public, West Bromwich.

Black Country Legends includes photography by Dudley-born Turner Prize nominee Richard Billingham as well as a Black Country themed computer game based on Little Big Planet.

A short film and artwork about mysterious local artist AJW, who leaves his work around the region, and a giant map constructed by Brendan Jackson, revealing odd and peculiar things about the region, are also included.

The Ray's a Laugh exhibition fea-

tures a selection of photographs Mr Billingham took of his alcoholic father Ray and obese, tattooed mother Liz, in Cradley Heath, in the 1990s.

The images of his dysfunctional family, torn apart by alcohol and poverty, provide a fascinating insight into the troubled but touching personalities of his parents.

Digital

Alongside his work will be a Black Country themed computer game, devised by a group of apprentices from LearnPlay Foundation, which is a digital organisation based at The Public.

Using software from popular Playstation game, Little Big Planet,

the group has worked with artist and local historian Brendan Jackson to develop characters around regional fables and stories.

Other works include photographs of the Black Country by Tipton Photography Society, and a short film, A Miracle in West Bromwich, by Billy Dosanjh, a moving story of an amazing experience in the family of a young man.

Public managing director Linda Saunders said: "The Black Country is well known for its distinctive charm, quirky characters and unique stories, so we're delighted to be showcasing these in a series of exhibitions."

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NEWS

Wolves boss on the ball at fundraiser for Liam



Wolves boss Dean Saunders with Liam's dad Andy and sister Hannah

WOLVES boss Dean Saunders joined around 340 people at a fundraising dinner in memory of a young Cheslyn Hay footballer who died of meningitis.

The ex-Aston Villa striker spoke about his career at Walsall's Banks' Stadium during an event organised by the family of tragic Liam Keeling.

The 13-year-old, of Cheslyn Hay, died suddenly in October 2009 just days after falling ill.

The death of the pupil of Cardinal Griffin School in Cannock prompted his parents Andy and Georgina to collect cash for Meningitis UK. Last

Friday night's event raised £8,000. Guests were treated to a four-course meal, while football shirts signed by former England captain Bryan Robson, Manchester United's Ryan Giggs and the Wolves squad were also auctioned off.

Proud

Postman Mr Keeling said: "It's gone well. We hold this event every year. This is our fourth one and we are about 100 people up on last year."

"Everyone has been in good spirits. It's fantastic that people want to remember Liam. He played football for Wyrley Juniors. He would have been very proud of this." Molineux boss



Teenage footballer Liam Keeling

Saunders said: "It's for a good cause. Liam's special to everyone. It makes you realise sometimes what you've got. I've had a brilliant reception from everyone here."

Steve Dayman, the founder of Meningitis UK, was also at the dinner. The 64-year-old, of Bristol, said: "I met Andy and Georgina soon after they lost Liam. Since then, with all the fundraising they have done, it's amazing. They have raised almost £140,000. It's a tribute to Liam."

The event was rearranged in March after Saunders could not make the evening because of a change of dates for a match between Wolves and Watford.

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NEWS

Partner is new judge



Former Joseph Leckie student Andrew Bowen, pictured left, with Challinors' senior partner Paul Griffiths

A FORMER Walsall schoolboy has been appointed a judge by the Lord Chancellor. Andrew Bowen, a solicitor with Midlands law firm Challinors, is one of just seven deputy district judges to be appointed.

Assigned to the Midlands circuit, he will sit in county courts.

Mr Bowen is a former pupil at Park Hall Junior School and Joseph Leckie in Walsall. He left Joseph Leckie in 1984 after completing his A-levels and has specialised in personal injury law for 20 years.

Ministry

He is a partner and head of the personal injury team at Challinors, which has offices across the Black Country and Birmingham.

Mr Bowen's appointment follows a rigorous selection process managed through the Judicial Appointments Commission that drew some 1,500 applicants for 70 posts across the seven districts making up the bench. The final stage of the process involved an interview at the Ministry of Justice in London, which included role-play in a mock hearing.

The new judge said: "Professionally, the appointment feels a natural progression after 20 years specialising in civil litigation and personal injury cases and I am relishing the prospect of sitting on the other side of the court and dealing with members of the public from a different perspective and across a broad spectrum of legal cases and issues."

Man set up a cannabis farm at his gran's flat

A MAN who grew £9,000 worth of cannabis at the Walsall home of his grandmother was locked up for 34 weeks.

Marvin Artwell was cultivating 24 'skunk' cannabis plants in a spare room at the property, Wolverhampton Crown Court heard.

The hydroponic drug farm was discovered when police swooped on the flat in Rowley Street, Walsall, on July 11 last year, explained prosecutor Mr Howard Searle.

Officers then found drug dealer bags and a set of scales when they raided the home of Artwell soon afterwards, the court was told.

The 22-year-old admitted setting up a sophisticated cannabis factory with special fans, power pack, lights and timer but insisted his grandmother had nothing to do with the enterprise, continued Mr Searle.

However, she received a caution from police for allowing premises to be used for drug production.

Artwell from Glastonbury Crescent, Mossley, had three previous convictions for possession of cannabis and admitted growing the drug

with another unnamed person who was going to share the yield.

The court heard that the defendant had a £20-a-day cannabis habit and allegedly told a probation officer that his only regret was getting caught, since he did not regard it as a serious offence.

Responsibility

He pleaded guilty to drug cultivation and was jailed by Recorder David Crigman QC who told him: "By choosing to locate this operation in the flat of your grandmother you exposed her to the risk of arrest and prosecution.

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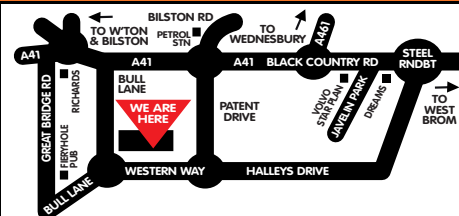
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FOCUS ON BLOXWICH**Crossing could go as part of rail plans**

A LEVEL crossing in Bloxwich may be closed after a public consultation found concern over traffic hold-ups.

Walsall Council have completed a report about the crossing in Willenhall Lane after Centro and freight operators announced they would be running more services on the line between Walsall and Rugeley.

The report, compiled by senior transport planner John Myatt, states: "It was recognised by most respondents that, with the announcement of electrification and introduction of more passenger and freight services, highway congestion levels will become unacceptable."

Funding

"Therefore whilst not desirable, most recognised that closing the crossing and taking advantage of funding for mitigation measures provided by Network Rail is a sensible option."

More than 150 residents and businesses responded to the consultation with concerns ranging from loss of jobs to extended journey times due to more delays. But most agreed with increased use of rail if alternative road routes and a footbridge were provided.

Walsall Council will now look at recommending courses of action.

Community orchard planted and new allotments planned

THE FIRST community orchard in Bloxwich has been completed, while plans to create new allotments have taken a step forward.

More than 580 fruit bushes, trees and saplings have now been planted at the orchard site in Ashbourne Road and will be ready for the first harvest within three years.

Community groups, local charities and schools will be encouraged to sell the fruit and associated products to raise funds.

Apples

The orchard consists of 500 saplings, 42 fruit trees, 40 fruit bushes and five rhubarb plants, and will produce apples, plums, cherries, peaches, gooseberries and apricots.

Nikki Rolls, from the Bloxwich district centre management team, said: "It's taken about 12 months in total to get all the planting done. You can only plant some trees at certain times in the year."

"In the summer we will have an official opening at the orchard so people can see the fruit trees in bloom."

"It is there for the whole

community. We want to use the site for educational purposes for schools. The fruit can also be made into products such as jams, cakes, pies and chutneys."

"One idea is to approach the Co-op to see if they will sell the fruit, and reinvest the money into the orchard. We could look at having a market stall and selling it locally."

Meanwhile, a community allotment site is planned at the Mirus Academy and a funding bid is being pulled together for the scheme.

Ms Rolls said a funding bid, likely to be around £15,000, was being drawn up to secure money for a community allotment at the academy in Leamore Lane.

by Lisa O'Brien

Grant for survivors group

THE Stroke and Heart Survivors and Carer's Support Group have been awarded a £1,000 grant by Birmingham Community Foundation through The Mid-Counties Co-operative Funding to help with fishing and day trips.

Meetings are held on the first Wednesday of each month from 11am to 1pm in the Stan Ball Centre, Bloxwich.



Art and crafts opportunities - Birmingham artist Pamina Stewart pictured with residents at St Peter's Court Care Home as they take part in an art project in Bloxwich

Art for creative seniors

RESIDENTS at a care home in Bloxwich are the first to benefit from a new £10,000 art project being run for Walsall's older people.

Artistic seniors at St Peter's Court, in Harrison Road, have been taking part in activities ranging from French knitting to sculpture with help from Birmingham artist Pamina Stewart.

Lottery

Funding provided by the Big Lottery has allowed Accord Group housing and social care group to work with West Bromwich-based charity Sandwell Third Age Arts on the projects.

Nicole Beeching, health and well-being manager at Accord, said: "We've worked really closely with older people to devise activities that they'll enjoy and pick up easily, even if they've never tried them before."

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Award for veterinary workplace

A FAMILY-run veterinary practice in Bloxwich has been named as one of the best companies in the country to work for.

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White Cross Vets, which employs 90 across 12 practices, was highly praised for its commitment to personal development, wellbeing and leadership.

Theresa Hsu, Clinic Director at White Cross Vets, said: "Training, development and team building opportunities that our team benefits from ensures everyone is happy and confident in their work."

Church fun day

A CHURCH in Bloxwich will be holding an Easter community fun day on Saturday.

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Volunteers from The Midlands Co-operative and 1st Walsall Wood Scout Group at the litter pick challenge. STAFF from a convenience store that opened in Walsall Wood last week donned their rubber gloves and got stuck in to hard graft to help the community clear a disused site of litter.

The 14 volunteers from The Midlands Co-operative Store in Lichfield Road cleared weeds, shrubs and litter from a vacant plot of land near to their premises which is soon to be transformed into a community centre. They were joined by youngsters and

adults from 1st Walsall Wood Scout Group who spent four hours tidying up the site.

The project is under way for a community centre which is being led by the scout group, who have already negotiated a lease.

Project

Scout Leader, Lee Bragginton said: "The Midlands volunteers did a great job and we're grateful for their help. The site has been derelict for many years.

"Our aim is to build a community venue with function rooms and

meeting space which will be used by local groups as well as providing a base for scouts and guides.

Store Manager, Jane Harney said: "It was hard, physical work and the weather was not good but it was fun too and a great way of getting to know our new colleagues and local people.

"We are keen to develop links with the community.

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CLUB NEWS

Thanks a bundle for speaker's straw talk

Howe's that for a name?



Club president Jean Corns and chairman Mary Jones with speaker Peter Shelley

CHAIRMAN Mary Jones welcomed 38 members to the March meeting at the Kingfisher Hotel, Wall Heath to enjoy a three-course lunch and hear speaker Peter Shelley talk about "A handful of Straw".

He began by demonstrating how to make a corn dolly. His interest began in 1974 and he has been making objects since. He passed around glory braids, cornucopia, horse-shoes, crosses, Christmas angels, a horse and a doll and told of his travels to Russia and Minsk where corn craft is highly valued.

DUDLEY SOUTH LADIES LUNCH CLUB

The 2013/14 programme includes a solicitor, a former mayor, the Life of Frank Sinatra and fingerprinting. An outing has been booked to Stratford and a coffee morning at the home of Ann & Mike Rogers. Best wishes were sent to retiring president Elsie Billingsley and a warm welcome to new president Jean Corns.

MYTIME OVER FIFTIES

MYTIME Over Fifties met for the first time this year in February as the January meeting had to be cancelled due to the bad weather.

There was a large group of members and visitors eager to hear David Howe asking "What is a Name?"

He gave many facts about the origins of names. Did you know, for example, that the "nick" as in nicknames, derived from 14th century "eke" meaning "also"?

British surnames derive from one of four sources, personal appearance/behaviour like White; from a job such as Taylor or Baker; a place, for instance Bradley – meaning a clearing or son of, eg Jenkinson.

Latin

Some names also derive from French and Latin sources and over time gradually changed as there was no set spelling. Even Shakespeare spelt his name five different ways and Cameron was originally "crooked nose".

Mr Howe's talk was fascinating and funny.

MyTime Over Fifties meets on the fourth Wednesday of the month at 2pm in the Amblecote Room at Stourbridge Town Hall.

The next meeting is on March 27 when the subject will be "Mother Theresa and Calcutta" by Marilyn Bose.

For further information phone Graham on 01384 393483 or Audrey on 01384 864223

Election of new chairman

THE February meeting was opened by chairman Brenda White. Due to the closure of the Mellish Guild, some of their members joined.

Speaker Pam Wheat gave an interesting talk on the "Perils of Public Speaking".

The AGM followed on Tuesday, March 5 opened by

WALSALL CENTRAL EAST TWG

retiring chairman Mrs White, who dealt with the outstanding business before moving on to the election of new officers. Patricia Jones

was elected as the new chairman and willingly accepted the position. New treasurer, Diana Ryan was elected, with the rest of the committee being re-elected en bloc.

Speaker at the April 2 meeting will be Jenny Chin on the work of St. Giles Walsall Hospice.

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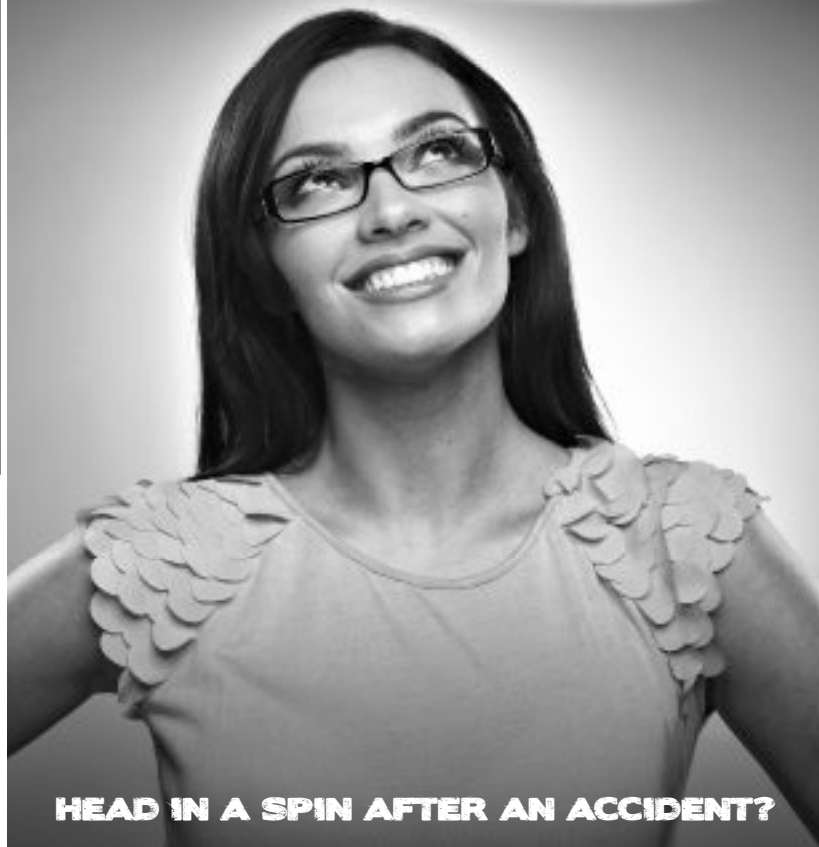


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Volunteer Gladys Harvey, back left, outside the canteen at Brocton Camp



One of the sketches contained in the autograph book



A photograph of First World War soldiers walking along Penkridge Bank, Rugeley

Getting a glimpse life at war training camp

IT contains cartoons, messages and poems scribbled down by soldiers and gives a unique insight into life during the First World War.

And now the autograph book belonging to Gladys Harvey will go on display at Shugborough Hall Museum next year to mark the centenary of the conflict.

Gladys was a volunteer in her early 20s in the Women's Army Auxiliary Corps (WAAC), working in the canteen on the Brocton Camp, Cannock Chase, between 1917 and 1918.

While there, soldiers would regularly make entries in her book.

Examples of these include a cheeky cartoon depicting Gladys picking blueberries, as well as caricatures of soldiers. It is also filled with humorous poems and rhymes.

by Kirsten Rawlins

One reads: "The happiest moments of my life were spent in the arms of another man's wife (my mother)." This was left by a G Mainland on December 12, 1918.

A more melancholy entry is a poem left by Gladys herself in October 1917.

It says: "I walked by myself, talked to myself, and that very same self said to me, look after thyself, take care of thyself, as nobody cares for thee."

The book was donated to the county of Staffordshire by Gladys' son-in-law in 1995 following her death.

Museum development officer

Helen Johnson, described the book as "unique in bringing the whole conflict to life".

She added: "This is such a unique object in our collections at the museum."

"It is a fascinating piece of history telling us about one individual's experiences working at the Brocton Camp."

"It's full of quirky poems and pictures and some quite emotive notes from soldiers who wrote in it."

"It's a terribly fascinating item which we really treasure in our collection. It brings the whole conflict to life by having something which you can hold and read."

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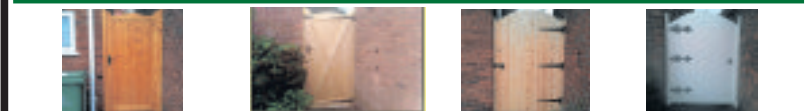
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What's On! *Walsall***Teenage issues in a play double bill**

ISSUES facing today's teenagers are the subjects of drama double bill *Daggers Drawn* to be presented by senior members of Aldridge Youth Theatre, and directed by Jo Smith.

Andrew Payne's play *Mugged* is a dark comedy and *Living with Lady Macbeth* by Rob John is a lighter look at teenage challenges.

They are being staged tonight (Thursday), tomorrow night and Saturday at 7.30pm. Call the box office on 01922 458615.

Tickets cost £7, concessions £6.

Play promises to provoke thought

ENTERTAINING Angels by Richard Everett, a thought-provoking comedy, is being staged next month at Highbury Theatre Centre.

A vicar's widow faces some disturbing revelations in the play directed by Barbara Garratt.

The Highbury Theatre production will run from April 16 to 20 and then April 23-27 at the theatre on Sheffield Road, Sutton Coldfield.

For tickets, call the box office 0121 373 2761.

Reef set to return

ROCK band Reef will mark 20 years since they formed with a new tour, including a gig at Birmingham's The Institute on November 16. Tickets go on sale tomorrow (Friday). See website www.ticketmaster.co.uk

Veteran acts turn back the clock to rock again

SOME of the most popular rock bands from the 1980s and '90s are back on the road this spring with concerts planned in Wolverhampton and Birmingham.

Cult favourites The Inspiral Carpets and angry rockers Skunk Anansie are both in action tonight (Thursday).

Clint Boon's Inspiral Carpets, favourites on the 'Madchester' scene recently released their first new material in 15 years, and will be performing their debut album *Life* in its entirety at Birmingham's O2 Academy 2. Meanwhile, '90s favourites Skunk Anansie, fronted by the formidable Skin, have a gig at Wolverhampton Civic Hall.



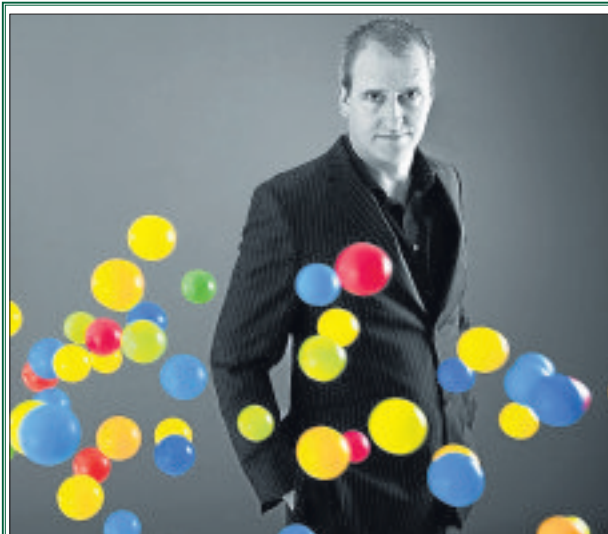
Jim Kerr of Simple Minds

The Beat will be getting folks to Twist And Crawl at The Slade Rooms on Saturday, the same venue melodic punk legends The Buzzcocks play on April 4.

Jim Kerr's Simple Minds are back to claim a Glittering Prize on their greatest hits tour at Wolverhampton Civic Hall on April 6.

Mike Peters of The Alarm takes the singer role when Big Country play the Wulfrun Hall on April 24. James bring the Gathering Sound tour to Birmingham O2 Academy on April 25 with guests Echo And The Bunnymen. Synth pioneers OMD are at Birmingham Town Hall on April 29.

Other comedy highlights include Justin Moorhouse at The Slade Rooms in Wolverhampton tonight (Thursday) and Richard Herring will be talking about an sensitive part of his anatomy at the same venue tomorrow night (Friday).



Music and surreal comedy from Hull-born entertainer Boothby Graffoe, who is a sometimes collaborator with Canadian band The Barenaked Ladies

Creative musical comedy

STAND-UP comedian and singer of surreal songs, the multi-talented and eccentric Boothby Graffoe, brings his unique musical comedy to the region this weekend.

His No Mad, No Sane Either tour calls at The Glee Club, in The Arcadian Centre, off Hurst Street, Birmingham, tonight (Thursday), doors open 8pm. Then he has a gig at Wolverhampton venue The Arena, in Wulfrun Street, tomorrow night (Friday) at 8pm.

Other comedy highlights include Justin Moorhouse at The Slade Rooms in Wolverhampton tonight (Thursday) and Richard Herring will be talking about an sensitive part of his anatomy at the same venue tomorrow night (Friday).

Aussie opera is on the big screen

OPERA Australia's production of *Madama Butterfly*, captured live from The Arts centre in Melbourne, will be screened at Showcase Walsall on Tuesday at 7.30pm.

Moffatt Oxenbould's production of Puccini's romantic story incorporates beautiful costumes and stylish set designs. Japanese soprano Hiromi Omura stars in the title role.

General tickets are priced at £10, with students and Insider members priced at £7. Call 0871 220 1000.

QI comedian has a Civic show plan

COMEDIAN Alan Davies will perform a stand-up gig at Wolverhampton Civic Hall on November 27.

Best known for his lead role as Jonathan Creek in the TV mystery series of the same name, and as a regular on the QI panel show, Davies will be on a tour entitled *Life Is Pain*.

Jonathan Creek returns to TV screens for a 90-minute Easter special with co-star Sheridan Smith.

Tickets priced £25 are available from the Midland Box Office on 0870 320 7000.

Gig is postponed

VETERAN rock band Nazareth's gig at the Robin 2 in Bilston, which was due to take place tonight (Thursday) has been postponed until November 24.

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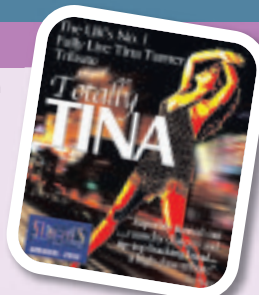
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What's On!

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CHOICE



Sarah Beeny

Sarah Beeny's Selling Houses
Channel 4, 7pm
Remember Property Ladder, when some of the would-be developers had seemingly sketched their renovation plans on the back of a beer mat, but still went on to make a healthy profit? Well, it seems those days are long gone – now Sarah Beeny is coming to the aid of people who are having trouble selling their own homes. According to the old rules of The House Doctor, Rebecca should have a head start, as her home is already neutral – but could it be that her love of magnolia is actually putting buyers off her detached house?

BBC1

6.00 Breakfast. **10.00** Saturday Kitchen Live. **11.30** Nigel Slater's Simple Cooking. (R) **12.00** BBC News: Regional News: Weather. **12.15** Football Focus. **1.00** Formula 1 – Malaysian Grand Prix Qualifying Highlights. **2.15** Richard Hammond's Secret Service. **2.55** Kung Fu Panda: Secrets of the Furious Five. **3.15** Film: National Treasure. (2004) **5.15** Film: Kung Fu Panda. (2008)
6.40 BBC News: Regional News: Weather.
7.00 Pointless Celebrities. A Doctor Who special, with contestants Sylvester McCoy, Bernard Cribbins, Jacqueline King, Andrew Hayden-Smith, Nicola Bryant, Sophie Aldred, Louise Jameson and Fraser Hines.
7.45 The National Lottery: Who Dares Wins. New series. Nick Knowles hosts the game show in which two pairs of strangers team up, each battling to outdo the other by listing as much as they know about a given subject.
8.40 Casualty. Robyn tries to save her friend's life after an accident at the fairground. Fletch and Aolie treat a drugged-up Easter bunny and Tom lands himself in hot water with Sam and Zoe.
9.30 Mrs Brown's Boys. Agnes looks after a robotic baby. (R)
10.00 BBC News: Weather.
10.15 Film: The Proposal. (2009) Romantic comedy, starring Sandra Bullock.
12.00 The Football League Show. National Lottery Update. **12.35** Film: Venom. (2005) **1.55** Film: Venom. (2005) **1.55** Weatherview. **2.00** BBC News.

BBC2

6.00 This Is BBC Two. **7.30** Great British Menu. (R) **8.00** Great British Menu. (R) **8.30** Great British Menu. (R) **9.00** Great British Menu. (R) **9.30** Great British Menu. (R) **10.00** A History of Britain by Simon Schama. (R) **11.00** Meet the Ancestors. (R) **11.30** Map Man. (R) **12.00** Country Show Cook Off. (R) **12.30** Country Show Cook Off. (R) **1.00** Country Show Cook Off. (R) **1.30** Country Show Cook Off. (R) **2.00** Country Show Cook Off. (R) **2.30** Mastermind. (R) **3.00** University Challenge. (R) **3.30** Hairy Bikers' Best of British. (R) **4.20** Restoration Home. (R) **5.20** Film: The Hitchhiker's Guide to the Galaxy. (2005)
7.00 Flog It! People are invited to try to make money by selling their antiques at auction. (R)
8.00 Dad's Army. Walmington-on-Sea leaves its mark on a visiting French general when the platoon repaints Lady Malby's Rolls-Royce just in time for an official engagement. (R)
8.30 Natural World Special: Attenborough's Ark. David Attenborough chooses the 10 endangered animals that he would most like to save from extinction, highlighting the work of biologists helping to keep them alive. (R)
9.30 Film: Project Nim. (2011) Premiere. Documentary about a chimpanzee raised as a human child.
11.05 Film: Zodiac. (2007) Fact-based crime thriller following the hunt for a serial killer who terrorised San Francisco in the late 1960s and early 1970s. Starring Jake Gyllenhaal and Robert Downey Jr.
1.35 This Is BBC Two.

ITV

6.00 CITV: Mickey Mouse Clubhouse. **6.25** The Hive. (R) **6.35** The Hive. (R) **6.45** Dino Dan. (R) **7.00** Dino Dan. (R) **7.10** Animals. (R) **7.20** Animals. (R) **7.25** Bookaboo. **7.40** Matt Hatter Chronicles. (R) **8.05** Ultimate Spider-Man. **8.30** Victorious. **9.00** Jessie. **9.25** TV News. **9.30** The Jeremy Kyle Show USA. **10.20** My Tasty Travels with Lynda Bellingham. (R) **11.20** Dinner Date. (R) **12.20** TV News: Weather. **12.25** You've Been Framed! (R) **12.55** Film: Any Which Way You Can. (1980) **3.00** The Chase: Celebrity Special. (R) **4.00** Midsomer Murders. (R)
6.00 Regional Programme: Weather.
6.15 ITV News: Weather.
6.30 New You've Been Framed! A fresh selection of comical clips.
7.00 Ant & Dec's Saturday Night Takeaway. The Georgie duo play an undercover prank on One Direction, present more entertainment, games and surprises, and give a member of the audience a chance to Win the Ads.
8.20 The Cube. A police officer continues his challenge from last week, and a health club manager also competes to win a jackpot of £250,000.
9.20 The Jonathan Ross Show. With Danny Boyle, Ian McShane, Nicholas Hoult, Bobby Womack and Damon Albarn. Last in the series.
10.20 ITV News: Weather.
10.35 Film: You, Me and Dupree. (2006) Comedy, starring Owen Wilson, Matt Dillon and Kate Hudson.
12.35 Jackpot247. **3.00** Ladette to Lady: Australia. (R) **3.50** ITV Nightscreen.

CHANNEL 4

6.00 The Treacle People. (R) **6.10** The Hoobs. (R) **6.35** The Hoobs. (R) **7.00** Freeports on 4. **7.30** The Grid. **7.55** The Morning Line. **8.55** Everybody Loves Raymond. (R) **9.25** Everybody Loves Raymond. (R) **9.55** Frasier. (R) **10.25** Frasier. (R) **10.55** The Big Bang Theory. (R) **11.25** The Big Bang Theory. (R) **11.50** The Simpsons. (R) **12.15** The Simpsons. (R) **12.45** Deal or No Deal. **1.45** Channel 4 Racing. **4.05** Come Dine with Me. (R) **4.35** Come Dine with Me. (R) **5.05** Come Dine with Me. (R) **5.35** Come Dine with Me. (R)
6.10 Come Dine with Me. Russell Stubbs hosts the final party in Crewe and Nantwich, Cheshire. (R)
6.35 Channel 4 News.
6.55 4thought. Religious dictates and customs concerning diet.
7.00 Sarah Beeny's Selling Houses. New series. The presenter helps homeowners in Oxford who are eager to attract buyers for their properties, allowing them to view one another's houses for improvement ideas.
8.00 Grand Designs. Kevin McCloud follows people designing their dream home. (R)
9.00 Film: The Time Traveler's Wife. (2009) A woman falls for a time traveller, but his journeys back and forth in her personal history put a strain on their marriage. Romantic sci-fi drama, with Rachel McAdams.
11.05 Big Fat Quiz of the 90s. Jimmy Carr grills five celebrities on the 1990s. (R)
12.40 Film: Notorious. (2009) **2.45** Southland. **3.25** Hollyoaks. (R) **5.30** Countdown. (R)

CHANNEL 5

6.00 Milkshake! **10.00** Power Rangers Samurai. (R) **10.35** Batman: The Brave and the Bold. **11.00** Inside Hollywood. **11.05** Robson's Extreme Fishing Challenge. (R) **12.05** Whale Adventure with Nigel Marven. (R) **1.05** CSI: Miami. (R) **2.00** CSI: Miami. (R) **2.55** Film: The Green Berets. (1968) **5.45** Film: Beach Red. (1967)
7.35 5 News Weekend.
7.40 NCIS. An army scientist goes missing, so Abby is asked to fill in for him on a top-secret research project – but Gibbs later learns her life could be in danger. (R)
8.30 NCIS. Part one of two. The agents travel to LA to work on an investigation that escalates into a high-priority case, and Tony begins to pry into Ziva's life. (R)
9.25 Law & Order: Special Victims Unit. Revealing photos of a 15-year-old rape victim are leaked on the internet, but Stabler is distracted from the case when his son and his shady school friend go missing.
10.25 Law & Order: Criminal Intent. Four men discover they are all being blackmailed over the death of a friend, but when one of them is killed, Nichols and Stevens uncover a mystery that spans 22 years.
11.20 CSI: NY. Mac realises his stalker's motivation. Crime drama, with Gary Sinise. (R)
12.15 SuperCasino. **4.00** HouseBusters. (R) **4.25** Divine Designs. (R) **4.50** County Secrets. (R) **5.05** Hana's Helpline. (R) **5.15** The Milkshake! Show. (R) **5.40** Thomas & Friends. (R) **5.50** Roary the Racing Car. (R)

DIGITAL

BBC Three
7.00 Merlin **8.30** Film: Lara Croft: Tomb Raider – The Cradle of Life (2003) **10.20** Russell Howard's Good News Extra **11.05** Family Guy **11.45** American Dad!
BBC Four
4.30 Britain's Natural World **7.50** The Rabbits of Skomer **8.00** Carved with Love: The Genius of British Woodwork **9.00** Film: The Silence (2010) **10.55** Slade at the BBC **11.55** It's Slade
ITV2
4.30 You've Been Framed! **6.30** Lawson: The Hot Desk **6.45** Film: King Kong (2005) **10.20** Celebrity Retreat (2009)
ITV3
3.40 Film: The Young Ones (1961) **5.50** Agatha Christie's Poirot **7.00** Lewis. The prime suspect in a teenager's rape is murdered. **9.00** Foyle's War **11.00** A Touch of Frost
ITV4
2.05 Film: The Boys in Blue (1983) **4.00** Film: All Quiet on the Western Front (1979) **7.00** IT Legends **8.00** River Monsters: Lair of Giants **10.05** Film: Species: The Awakening (2007)
E4
3.35 Rules of Engagement **6.00** The Big Bang Theory **7.00** Youngers **7.30** Happy Endings **8.00** How I Met Your Mother **9.30** 2 Broke Girls **9.00** Film: Babylon AD (2008) **10.50** The Big Bang Theory **11.50** The Cleveland Show
Film4
3.05 Those Magnificent Men in Their Flying Machines (1965) **5.40** Australia (2008) **8.50** Danny Boyle Interview Special **9.00** Slumdog Millionaire. (2008) Oscar-winning drama, starring Dev Patel. **11.25** Danny Boyle Interview Special **11.35** 28 Days Later (2002)

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Betty is free from pain after having implants

A WOMAN who had suffered years of pain with two jaw conditions has finally found relief after undergoing dental implant surgery.

Betty had worn dentures for many years but developed neuralgia and her trigeminal nerve had become inflamed.

"I had terrible jaw pain and suffered pins and needles in the side of my head and tongue. It's a terrible condition. I'd had an MRI scan and had seen a specialist, but was still without relief," she says.

Clinical dental technician Mr Burchell had made dentures for Betty seven years ago and she returned to his clinic to inquire about a new prescription because the lower denture had lost its stability.

"I had put up with the floating effect of my lower denture and needed to address the problem. My lower gum had receded so much my denture was pressing down on a nerve and causing me pain," she adds.

"Steven explained the benefits of implant-retained dentures and told me it would allow my bite to be opened some more. Since having the implants on my lower denture, I have experienced no more pain."

Mr Burchell said all dentures have a shelf life and Betty's denture problem was due to shrinkage of her gums – a naturally occurring aging process.

"We hoped for an improved outcome on her condition, but never dreamed that the final clinical result could be so rewarding with Betty being free from pain," he adds.

Suction another solution

A CUTTING-EDGE development to help resolve the stability problems faced by thousands of denture wearers is being offered by the Denture Clinic. Denturist Steven Burchell Dip CDT RCS(Eng), who heads the teams at his North Street practice in Dudley and other clinics in Wolverhampton and Bearwood, says the invention has the potential to resolve issues with the poor stabilisation of dentures.

Prosthetics are held in place by tiny valve-operated suction devices which are built into the prescription. A clever diaphragms principle, triggered by the bite pressure on patients' gums, creates a 'sucking' vacuum between the soft-tissue mouth lining and the prosthetic.

Mr Burchell, whose clinics attracts patients from as far as Spain, the Isle of Skye and the Isle of Anglesey, adds: "The den-

ture revolution is evolving at a pace. In recent times we have seen what I can describe only as strident steps forward with implant-retained dentures coming into main-stream dentistry, clever technology which allows excellent fitting outcomes and now the Ultra Suction product.

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"Toolbox"

"The beauty of this technology is that it can offer for the right patient excellent denture retainer qualities without the complex clinical procedures required for implant work.

"We have always endeavoured to be on the very cusp of clinical development and this is another tool in our commitment to always try to deliver results which are greater than patient expectations."

Historically, lower dentures can

present stability problems as the jaw bone erodes with age. With traditional dentures this can cause lower teeth to move and create painful friction problems on gums.

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"I remain passionate about the transformations good prosthetics can achieve."

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What's On!

Film Choices

Monday

Road House, Channel 5, 10pm

A philosophy-reading kung fu expert gains a reputation as the best bouncer around, and is hired by the owner of a rowdy Missouri bar to keep the peace. When he fires some of the establishment's corrupt staff, he incurs the wrath of a local crime boss who has a stranglehold on the town's businesses. Action thriller, starring Patrick Swayze, Ben Gazzara, Kelly Lynch, Sam Elliott and blues singer Jeff Healey. (1989)

Tuesday

Cold Creek Manor, BBC1, 12.15am

A wealthy couple decide to set themselves a challenge by buying a remote, run-down house with the idea of giving it a new lease of life. Instead they discover the property has a sinister past, the locals do not take kindly to outsiders and the former owner, recently released from prison, will do whatever it takes to drive them away. Thriller, starring Dennis Quad, Sharon Stone, Stephen Dorff, Juliette Lewis and Christopher Plummer. (2003)

Wednesday

Bringing Up Baby, BBC2, 12pm

A zany heiress tries to acquire the help of a timid palaeontologist in looking after her pet leopard. As she starts to fall for the bemused academic, she decides to stop him marrying his severe assistant, and accidentally endangers his efforts to get funding for his beloved museum. Screwball comedy, starring Cary Grant, Katharine Hepburn, May Robson, Charlie Ruggles and Barry Fitzgerald. (1938)



Fame, Thursday, BBC1, 12.05am

Thursday

Fame, BBC1, 12.05am

Alan Parker's musical drama charting the trials and aspirations of four talented teenage students at New York's School for the Performing Arts as they try to balance training for a career in showbusiness with a more conventional education. Starring Irene Cara, who also sings the Oscar-winning theme tune, with Lee Curreri, Gene Anthony Ray and Paul McCrane. (1980)

Friday

The Iron Giant, Channel 4, 7.10am

A huge robot falls from outer space and crash-lands in a small American town, terrifying the locals with its fearsome appearance. The kindly giant is befriended by a lonely youngster – but trouble looms on the horizon when a corrupt government agent sets his sights on destroying the visitor. Family animated adventure based on the children's story by poet Ted Hughes. With the voices of Vin Diesel, Eli Marienthal, Jennifer Aniston and Harry Connick Jr. (1999)

Pick of the Week

The only thing getting hot and cross is the buns

These days, you'd be hard pushed to find anyone who isn't a fan of The Great British Bake Off.

Something about the gentle, kindly nature of the show, and its judges Mary Berry and Paul Hollywood, serves as the perfect antithesis to the veritable glut of talent shows that dominate the schedules with their frequently barbed, scathing comments which seem designed to give contestants a nervous breakdown.

Things never get too personal in the safety of the Bake Off kitchen, and although Paul has been known to set the odd bottom lip wobbling when he's deemed a bake too uneven or a bottom too soggy, on the whole his and Mary's criticisms are well received – after all, they are experts in their field.

So, there are few pairings better placed to offer a masterclass on baking than these two.

They gave us a helping hand last Christmas when they provided top tips on everything from perfect puddings to mega mince pies, and now they're

back with The Great British Bake Off Easter Masterclass (BBC2, 8pm), to help us cope with the trials and tribulations that Easter baking represents.

The kids are at home for a fortnight, and the grown-ups get a four-day weekend, so it's the perfect time to get busy in the kitchen.

However, there's always a few pitfalls to avoid, as well as a few expert tips that really, if you'll excuse the expression, put the icing on the cake – and here, Mary and Paul explain them all.

They give step-by-step instructions, including easy to follow demonstrations of some of their favourite seasonal recipes, giving us all the best possible chance of replicating their successes.

Among the treats on offer are perfect hot cross buns, without which no Easter would truly be complete.

Another traditional treat for the time of year is simnel cake, a light fruitcake traditionally enjoyed after Lent, for which the pair have a sumptuous recipe. So far, so good, but this is Easter – where is the chocolate?

Well, there's a guide to creating delicious chocolate custard tarts – perfect for using up any spare bits of Easter Eggs that may be lying around (although that's not usually too much of an issue for many households).

Also on the menu is a zingy and refreshing lemon meringue nest serves as the perfect accompaniment to the rich cuisine on offer.

With all these sweet treats to sample, one might be worried about piling on the pounds – but you only have to look at Mary to know that striking a balance isn't impossible.

As she told the Guardian recently, "It's all about things in moderation."

I do eat a good portion all the way through the Bake Off – because they've taken the trouble to make something, their parents are watching, and they want to see me have a proper slice.

The next day I'm pretty careful. I do try to eat lots of salads and healthy foods.

But cakes are healthy too – you just eat a thin slice. There's a lot of cheer in a cake."



The Great British Bake Off Easter Masterclass, Tuesday, BBC2, 8pm

Best of the Rest

Monday

Boris Johnson: The Irresistible Rise BBC2, 9pm

Some think he's a national embarrassment, others find him endearingly eccentric. Love him or loathe him, Boris Johnson is arguably the most recognisable face in British politics. From his appearances on Have I Got News For You to his position as Mayor of London, he has a degree of accessibility and personality that otherwise seems to be immensely lacking in modern politics, leading some to tip him as a future Prime Minister. In candid interviews, Michael Cockerell reveals the real Boris Johnson, showing sides of him that few have seen, including his tangled love-life and his working relationship with David Cameron. There's more to the man than perhaps many even realise.

Tuesday

Live International Football ITV, 7.30pm

Roy Hodgson takes his England side to Podgorica City Stadium for a 2014 World Cup Group H qualifying fixture against Montenegro, who have proved to be the surprise package of the campaign so far. Branko Brnovi's men sat atop the group following their opening four fixtures and were on a three-match winning streak in competitive encounters heading into their clash with Moldova on Friday. Meanwhile, the Three Lions have already dropped points against both Poland and Ukraine, and will be keen to find some consistency as they aim to book a place at the finals in Brazil, but don't have the best of records against the relatively young eastern European nation.

Wednesday

Lightfields ITV, 9pm

The spooky drama comes to an end this week with the Felwoods in 1944 believing it's time to leave Lightfields – it holds too many memories of Lucy that they would rather forget. In 1975, Vivien goes missing, and it's up to Clare, with help from Tom, to find her. When she's eventually located, the troubled woman is on the verge of remembering what happened on a fateful night many moons ago. Finally, in 2012, Luke is missing and his grandparents begin to wonder if Lucy has taken him. But she isn't the only person who may endanger the lad, while a B&B guest with links to Pip's past has a shocking story to tell.

Pompeii: The Mystery of the People Frozen in Time BBC1, 9pm

Margaret Mountford may be best known for lurking in the background of The Apprentice, raising her eyebrows at some of the contestants' daffier remarks, but she also has a keen interest in ancient history – she even stepped down from her role as Alan Sugar's right-hand woman to finish her PhD in Papyrology. Now, she's sharing her enthusiasm in this one-off documentary, which sees her investigating the events of 79AD, when a volcanic disaster left the citizens of Pompeii preserved in ashes.

Thursday

Kids with Tourette's: In Their Own Words ITV, 9pm

Growing up is tough for children these days, although while most will fret about maths homework and playing kiss chase in the school playground, the few featured in this insightful documentary have a far rougher ride. Connor, Callum and Marco are affected by Tourette's Syndrome, but while there's no cure for them, hope comes in the form of a pioneering treatment programme at Great Ormond Street Hospital. Cameras have followed the boys and their families over a six-month period, as they have their say about living with the condition, and the obstacles they face on a daily basis.

Imagine: Beyonce – Life Is But a Dream BBC1, 10.35pm

She's the singer, songwriter, actress, entrepreneur, wife and mother with 16 Grammy awards to her name, who once got most of Glastonbury doing the Single Ladies dance. Yes, we're talking about Beyonce, the former Destiny's Child member turned solo superstar. But while she's one of the

most high-profile women in the world, how much do we really know about her? Well, we're about to discover a whole lot more, as Beyonce adds 'director' to her résumé, and brings us this documentary, which offers a unique insight into her life. And if you're slightly surprised to see this film appearing under the BBC's Imagine arts banner, forget the musical snobbery – Alan Yentob also profiled rapper Jay-Z, way back in 2008.

Friday

Piers Morgan's Life Stories: Britt Ekland ITV, 9pm

Britt Ekland came to the UK in 1964 and was immediately swept off her feet by Peter Sellers, who asked her to marry him following a whirlwind, 10-day romance. She agreed, but the union, which produced their daughter, Victoria, lasted just four years. Her other most notable partners include Warren Beatty, Rod Stewart, George Hamilton and Patrick Leitchfield. Here, Ekland talks about her life and career.

Ancient Egypt: Life and Death in the Valley of the Kings BBC2, 9pm

The two-part documentary, which began last week, draws to a close tonight – what more surprises can Egyptologist Joann Fletcher possibly have in store? Well, as she clambers into rarely visited tombs, explores a treasure trove of long-buried objects and examines mummies, we find she has a lot of astounding facts up her sleeves. She explains how, 3,500 years ago, life was little more than a dress rehearsal for the perfect afterlife.



Lightfields, Wednesday, ITV, 9pm

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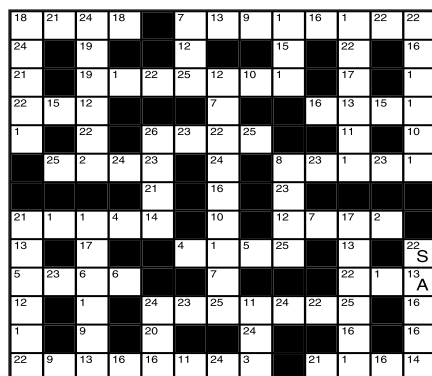
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Codeword

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W	K	N	Z	C	R	I	G	P	H	Q	T	M
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Double Crossword

Choose either quick or cryptic clues - both fit the same grid.

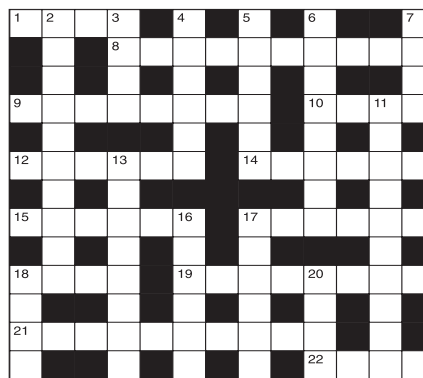
Cryptic Clues:

Across

1. Foil some of the peerage (4)
8. Early form of rock music! (6,4)
9. A glass ship (8)
10. Cars go round the curves (4)
12. Cut in whisky? (6)
14. His map is transformed by accident (6)
15. Slightly exaggerate an account and blush (6)
17. Stand at one over the eight, we hear. Gracious! (6)
18. It's used to make a toast in wine (4)
19. Authorise mother to come back first, that's agreeable (8)
21. Will he cure plane-sickness? (4-6)
22. The advantage that being sharp gives one? (4)

Down

2. Precious little company inside for the prematurely forward (10)
3. Make a sound come-back in a speech original in content (4)
4. Start off with a meal outside (6)
5. It rouses after the manner of strong spirit (6)
6. It's criminal to take a couple of fools in (8)
7. A wise man changes as he grows older (4)
11. A baby substitute (10)
13. A double-crosser with more than one sort of merit (3-5)
16. Nothing illogical about a boy (6)
17. An artist has to draw it to live! (6)
18. Workers that supply most of our wants (4)
20. Measure about a hundred to start with (4)



Quick Clues:

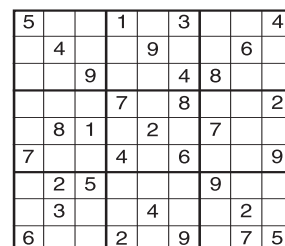
Across

1. Stumble (4)
8. Hateful (10)
9. Lively (8)
10. Way out (4)
12. Infrequent (6)
14. Not liable (6)
15. Tarry (6)
17. Habit (6)
18. Inform (4)
19. Almanac (8)
21. Deal out (10)
22. Profound (4)

Down

2. Relative (10)
3. Couple (4)
4. Glass vessel (6)
5. Centre (6)
6. Lax (8)
7. Despatched (4)
11. Unlikely (10)
13. Control (8)
16. Shrink back (6)
17. Hue (6)
18. Neat (4)
20. Want (4)

Sudoku



Fill in the grid below so that every column, every row and each of the 3x3 boxes contains all the digits from 1 to 9.

LAST WEEK'S SOLUTIONS >

9	1	6	3	5	8	2	7	4
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6	5	9	1	3	2	8	4	7
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LAST WEEK'S CROSSWORD SOLUTIONS:
CRYPTIC - Across: 7 Fault; 8 Project; 9 Embargo; 10 Sift; 12 Agreements; 15 Reminders; 18 Sorts; 19 Mansion; 21 Willing; 22 Ledge.
Down: 1 Afterwards; 2 Bulbs; 3 Stir; 4 Oppose; 5 Consumer; 6 Herring; 11 Fishmonger; 13 Gain-said; 14 Emerald; 16 Damage; 17 Finds; 20 Nile.
QUICK - Across: 7 Curve; 8 Trolley; 9 Indulge; 10 Elver; 12 Aristocrat; 15 Triviality; 18 Label; 19 Tempter; 21 Control; 22 Dread. Down: 1 Occidental; 2 Grade; 3 Well; 4 Stress; 5 Foremost; 6 Slavery; 11 Retrograde; 13 Rallies; 14 Disband; 16 Little; 17 Steer; 20 Mode.



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Dormer-style home for sale – £140,000



There is ample parking on the driveway of the home

A WELL-PRESENTED three bedroom dormer-style semi-detached bungalow in Great Wyrley is for sale priced at £140,000.

Much improved by the current owners, the property in Poplar Road benefits from central heating and double glazing with accommodation briefly comprising of entrance hallway, refitted kitchen with integral appliances, spacious through lounge/diner, ground floor bedroom and refitted bathroom suite and on the first floor two more bedrooms.

Outside the front garden has a gravel driveway with multiple off road parking and double gates to the side leading to the garage, while the rear garden has a paved patio area, lawn and

flower and shrub borders. Inside on the first floor the kitchen has a range of wall and base units with roll top work surfaces, inset sink and drainer with mixer tap, integral appliances including extractor hood with electric hob and oven, fridge/freezer and space for washing machine.

The through lounge, 17ft 3in by 10ft 3in, has a feature fireplace with electric fire and leads into the dining room measuring 13ft by 12ft 8in and with patio doors to the rear garden and doors to bedroom one and a bathroom with white white comprising panelled bath with shower over, pedestal wash hand basin and WC.

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It also benefits from central heating, double glazing, cavity wall insulation and air conditioning, double garage and garden.

On the ground floor the extended lounge/diner has a feature marble fire surround with hearth and inset and coal effect electric fire, with patio doors to the rear garden. The kitchen, 10ft 6in by 9ft, has a

range of wall and base units, work surfaces with stainless steel sink and drainer with mixer tap, built-in appliances including dishwasher, space and plumbing for washing machine and access to the guest WC with toilet and wash hand basin in vanity unit.

On the first floor the master bedroom has a white en-suite with shower cubicle, wash hand basin in vanity unit and WC and there are three further bedrooms and a bathroom with white suite comprising spa panel bath with shower and screen, wash hand basin in vanity unit and WC.

There is also an integral garage while the rear garden has a block paved patio area with awnings, lawn and borders with shrubs and fruit trees.

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Built-in appliances are features of the modern kitchen

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Call Cross & Co for full details of the house in Broadway on 01543 500370

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On the ground floor the lounge, 12ft 10in by 15ft 4in, has an inset gas fire with feature surround while the kitchen - 16ft 2in by 7ft - has a range of wall, drawer and base units, roll top work surfaces, stainless

steel sink and drainer, built-in hob, oven and overhead extractor fan and doors to the conservatory which is 11ft 9in by 9ft 5in and has French doors to the rear garden.

There is also an inner lobby used as a utility area with wall and base units, work surfaces and door to the shower room with cubicle, WC and wash hand basin.

On the first floor are three bedrooms and a bathroom with panelled bath, WC and pedestal wash hand basin.

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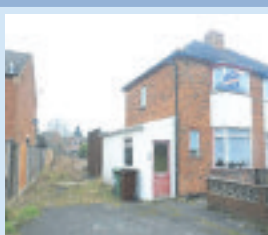
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On the ground floor the guest WC has a toilet and pedestal wash hand basin while the lounge – 11ft 9in by 16ft – has a feature stone fire surround with hearth and inset, coal effect living flame gas fire and French doors to the rear garden.

The dining room is 8ft 9in by 11ft

2in and the study 9ft 2in by 7ft 7in, with the kitchen diner measuring 18ft 5in by 10ft 9in and fitted with a range of wall and base units with wine rack, work surfaces, sink and drainer with mixer tap, integrated double oven with hob and extractor, dishwasher, fridge freezer, plumbing for washing machine and space for tumble dryer.

On the first floor the master bedroom has an en-suite with shower cubicle, pedestal wash hand basin and WC and there are three more bedrooms and a bathroom with panelled bath with shower over and screen, pedestal wash hand basin and WC.

Outside to the front is a block paved driveway leading to the garage and a lawn, while the rear garden has a patio area with lawn, shrubs and a side garden with rockery.

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PROPERTY AUCTION - 26th MARCH 2013



**159 PARKFIELD ROAD,
WOLVERHAMPTON**
Corner Shop/Commercial
Premises + rooms to rear
Two Bed Living
Accommodation, Two
Garages, enclosed and
gated yard
GF EPC: E FF EPC: F

**VIEWING: 22nd & 23rd
MARCH @ 11.00 am
Guide: £78,000/£83,000**



**23 SHERBORNE ROAD,
BUSHBURY,
WOLVERHAMPTON**
Neatly presented, majority
uPVC, Gas CH, Two
Reception, Kitchen, Two
Bedrooms, Bathroom,
Attractive Garden. EPC: D

**VIEWING: 22nd & 23rd
MARCH @ 11.30 am
Guide: £73,000/£78,000**



**92 HAWKSFORD CRESCENT, BUSHBURY,
WOLVERHAMPTON**
Generous corner plot, Lounge, large Dining Kitchen
Three Bedrooms, Bathroom, CH, Gardens, off-road parking
EPC: C

**VIEWING: 22nd & 23rd MARCH @ 10.45 am
Guide: £53,000/£58,000**



**54 BLAKELEY AVENUE,
CLAREGATE**
At head of cul-de-sac with
lovely garden
Three Bed Semi, large
Bathroom, Two Reception,
Kitchen
Gas CH, extensive Garage.
EPC: D

**VIEWING: 22nd & 23rd
MARCH @ 12.00 noon
Guide: £98,000/£103,000**



**56 PARK ROAD WEST,
WOLVERHAMPTON**
With outlook to West Park, a
spacious Semi for
modernisation. Three
Reception, Three Bedrooms,
Garage, Gardens. EPC: F

**VIEWING 22nd & 23rd
MARCH @ 1.15 pm
Guide: £130,000/£140,000**



25 THREE TUNS LANE, OXLEY, WOLVERHAMPTON
Well located Semi with newly installed CH, majority uPVC
Lounge, Dining Kitchen, WC, Two Bedrooms, Bathroom,
Off road parking, Gardens. EPC: D

**VIEWING: 22nd & 23rd MARCH @ 12.15 pm
Guide: £63,000/£68,000**



**24 WHITE OAKS DRIVE,
BISHOPS WOOD**
Lovely Village location -
Modern Two Bed, Two Bath
House, Two Reception,
Kitchen, Double Garage,
Drive and Rear Garden,
EPC: F

**VIEWING: 22nd & 23rd
MARCH @ 1.00 pm
Guide: £130,000/£140,000**



9 KENT STREET, WALSALL
Spacious Mid Terraced for modernisation
Two Reception, Kitchen, Bathroom, Three
Bedrooms, Garden. EPC: E

**VIEWING: 22nd & 23rd MARCH @ 9.45 am
Guide: £52,000/£57,000**



**110 MILTON ROAD, FALLINGS PARK,
WOLVERHAMPTON**
Ready to modernise, Two Reception, Kitchen, Shower facility
Two Bedrooms, Rear Yard, WC. EPC: E

**VIEWING: 22nd & 23rd MARCH @ 10.00 am
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The fully refurbished home includes this conservatory

OFFERS over £85,000 are being invited for a three bedroom end terrace property in Bridgewater Close, Walsall.

The fully refurbished home in Walsall Wood is convenient for local commuter routes, schools and amenities with accommodation briefly comprising of hallway, guest WC, lounge, conservatory and kitchen and on the first floor three bedrooms, WC and bathroom.

On the ground floor the lounge is 13ft 8in by 11ft 3in, the conservatory 10ft 2in by 9ft 3in and the kitchen 17ft 6in by 9ft 3in and with a range of wall and base units, built-in electric oven, electric hob and stainless steel sink and drainer.

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LOT 1 **GUIDE PRICE:**
£65,000-£75,000



**106 WALSALL ROAD,
CANNOCK**
FREEHOLD WITH VACANT
POSSESSION

- ◆ Semi-detached house
- ◆ Three bedrooms
- ◆ Part gas fired central heating
- ◆ In need of renovation/improvement

LOT 2 **GUIDE PRICE:**
£80,000-£85,000



**162 MARSH LANE,
WOLVERHAMPTON**
FREEHOLD WITH VACANT
POSSESSION

- ◆ Inter war semi-detached house
- ◆ Three bedrooms
- ◆ Gas central heating
- ◆ Predominantly double glazed
- ◆ In need of modernisation

LOT 3 **GUIDE PRICE:**
£80,000



**FLATS 1 & 2, 10 CROSS
STREET, BRIDGTOWN**
FREEHOLD
INVESTMENT

- ◆ Two - one bedroomed flats
- ◆ Gas central heating
- ◆ Fully double glazed
- ◆ Currently let producing
\$8,820 per annum

LOT 4 **GUIDE PRICE:**
£50,000-£60,000



**200 CHURCHILL ROAD,
BENTLEY, WALSALL**
FREEHOLD WITH VACANT
POSSESSION

- ◆ Semi detached house
- ◆ Two bedrooms
- ◆ In need of comprehensive
refurbishment

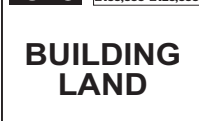
LOT 5 **GUIDE PRICE:**
£90,000-£100,000



**8 SUNSET CLOSE,
GREAT WYRLEY**
FREEHOLD WITH VACANT
POSSESSION

- ◆ Linked detached bungalow
- ◆ In need of some improvement
- ◆ Three bedrooms
- ◆ Gas fired central heating
- ◆ Fully double glazed

LOT 6 **GUIDE PRICE:**
£100,000-£120,000



**BUILDING
LAND**

- ◆ LAND TO REAR OF: 91 OLD FALLOW ROAD, CANNOCK
- ◆ FREEHOLD WITH VACANT POSSESSION
- ◆ Residential building land with the benefit of planning permission for residential development for two detached residences with private drive access
- ◆ Located in popular residential area
- ◆ Width on building line - 22m approx.
- ◆ Depth of main plot - 32m approx. (average approx.)
- ◆ Area - 915 sq m (1088 yds sq.) or thereabouts

LOT 7 **GUIDE PRICE:**
£50,000



**114 COPPICE ROAD,
RUGELEY**
FREEHOLD WITH VACANT
POSSESSION

- ◆ Inner terraced house
- ◆ Three bedrooms
- ◆ Front and rear gardens
- ◆ Requiring refurbishment

LOT 8 **GUIDE PRICE:**
£125,000



**EDWARD STREET CLUB,
EDWARD STREET, CHADSMOOR**
FREEHOLD WITH VACANT
POSSESSION

- ◆ Substantial brick built premises standing on a large corner plot
- ◆ Investment
- ◆ Re-development opportunity
- ◆ Owner occupation
- ◆ Total site area - 0.392 acre or thereabouts

LOT 9 **GUIDE PRICE:**
£100,000



**INDIVIDUAL BUILDING PLOT
ADJOINING TOPEKA, HOLLY
LANE, CHESLYN HAY**
FREEHOLD WITH VACANT
POSSESSION

- ◆ Individual building plot with outline planning permission for residential development
- ◆ Located in popular residential area
- ◆ Width - 12m (approx.) on building line
- ◆ Depth - 47m (approx.) maximum

LOT 10 **GUIDE PRICE:**
£90,000-£100,000



**13 JACOBS HALL
LANE, GREAT WYRLEY**
FREEHOLD WITH VACANT
POSSESSION

- ◆ Semi-detached house
- ◆ Two bedrooms
- ◆ Gas central heating
- ◆ Predominantly double glazed
- ◆ In need of modernisation



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WOODSIDE ROAD, OFF SKIP LANE



NEW NEW NEW NEW
• Three bed detached • Gas CH & DG
• Porch • Hall • two Receptions
• Kitchen • Utility • W.C • Bathroom
• Driveway • Garage • Garden
• Energy Rating D (67)
Offers around £249,950

ROWAN ROAD, DELVES



• Four Bed Semi • C/H & D/G • Porch
• Hall • Two Receptions • Kitchen
• Utility • W.C • En-suite • Bathroom
• Driveway • Garage • Garden
• Energy rating D (66)
Offers around £214,950

Fairfield Court, Great Barr



NEW NEW NEW NEW
• Two bed top floor flat
• gas CH & DG • Hall • Lounge
• modern Kitchen • Bathroom
• Garage
• Energy Rating
Offers around £99,950

The Grove, Yew Tree



NEW NEW NEW NEW
• Two bed semi • C/H & D/G • Hall
• Lounge • Kitchen
• Bathroom • Garden
• Driveway • Energy Rating
Offers around £89,950

Waterfront Way, Town Centre



• Two bed ground floor apartment
• elec CH & DG • Hall • Lounge
• Kitchen • Bathroom
• Parking space
• Energy Rating C (70)
Offers around £94,950

ARCHER ROAD, LEAMORE



REDUCED REDUCED REDUCED
• Three bed • C/H & D/G • Hall
• Lounge • Dining Room
• Kitchen • Outhouse/Utility
• modern Bathroom • Outside W.C.
• Garden • Energy Rating C (69)
Offers around £84,950

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JESSON CLOSE, BIRMINGHAM ROAD



NEW NEW NEW NEW
• Three bed terrace
• gas CH & DG
• Lounge
• Dining Kitchen
• Bathroom
• Kitchen
• Communal gardens
• Energy Rating E (50)
£525 PCM

PARKLANDS GARDENS, BIRM RD



• Two bed flat
• First Floor
• Lounge
• Kitchen
• Bathroom
• Garage
• Parking
• Communal gardens
• Energy Rating E (50)
£495 PCM

PELSALL LANE, RUSHALL



NEW NEW NEW NEW
• Three bed terrace
• gas CH & DG
• Two Receptions
• Fitted Kitchen
• New carpets
• Bathroom
• Garden
• Suit professional
• Energy Rating F (35)
£550 PCM

CRESSWELL CRESCENT, MOSSLEY



NEW NEW NEW NEW
• Three bed terrace
• gas CH & DG
• Lounge
• Dining Kitchen
• Bathroom
• Kitchen
• Suit professional
• Garden
• Parking
• Energy Rating D(65)
£495 PCM

DORA STREET, PLECK



NEW NEW NEW NEW
• Three bed terrace
• gas CH & DG
• 2 Receptions
• Kitchen
• Bathroom
• Bathroom
• Suit professional
• Garden
• Energy Rating D(56)
£450 PCM

QUEENS ROAD, RUSHALL



NEW NEW NEW NEW
• Two bed flat
• Above Post
• Office
• Lounge
• Kitchen
• Bathroom
• Suit Professional
• Energy Rating E (45)
£395 PCM

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Home of Property

Three-bed cottage with a neat and tidy garden

THIS well-presented three bedroom cottage in Thorpe Street, Chase Terrace, is on the market priced at £189,995.

The accommodation briefly comprises of entrance porch, hallway, lounge, sitting room, re-fitted kitchen, sun room, ground floor bathroom and three bedrooms, one of them en-suite, and it also benefits from gas central heating, double glazing, driveway and garage and front and rear gardens.

On the ground floor the lounge, 11ft 10in by 10ft 7in, has a feature fireplace with tiled inset, marble effect hearth and coal effect living flame gas fire, while the sitting room - 11ft 9in by 10ft 11in - has a feature brick fireplace with wood burning fire and brick hearth.

Shower

The re-fitted kitchen, 9ft by 7ft 9in, has a range of base and wall units with roll top work surfaces, one and a half stainless steel sink and drainer, plumbing for washing machine, gas hob, electric oven, extractor and access to a sun room which is 11ft 1in by 6ft.

The ground floor bathroom has a WC, pedestal wash hand basin and bath.

On the first floor there are three bedrooms, the third one with an en-suite of WC, pedestal wash hand basin and shower cubicle.

Outside to the front is a drive to the garage, with flower and shrub borders and to the rear a lawn, flower and shrub borders, paved patio area and shed.

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This three-bedroom cottage, in Chase Terrace, offers stylish accommodation



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WOLVERHAMPTON LAUREN GATE, W'ALL ROAD



NEW
• Modern purpose built maisonette.
• Spacious accommodation over two floors
• Two double bedrooms
• Family bathroom & ensuite



• Kitchen inc oven, hob, washing machine & Fridge freezer
• Gated allocated parking
• Energy rating 'B'

£550 PCM



**WEDNESBURY
DEVON ROAD**
• Semi detached house
• Two bedrooms
• Spacious lounge
• Fitted kitchen with some appliances
• Bathrooms with separate WC
• Centrally heated
• Energy Performance Rating E
£500 PCM



**WILLENHALL
BARNETT ROAD**
• Traditional style end terrace
• Three bedrooms
• Fitted kitchen
• Ground floor bathroom
• Double glazing & Gas c/heating
• Rear garden
• Off road parking
• Energy Rating 'D'
£500 PCM



**WILLENHALL
RAVENS-CROFT ROAD**
• Splendid detached property
• Considerable improved
• Three bedrooms & loft room
• Extended dining kitchen
• Gas C/heating & D/glazing
• Bathroom with jacuzzi style bath
• Garden, garage & off road parking
• Energy Rating 'D'
£725PCM



**WILLENHALL
CLOTHIER STREET**
• Pleasantly appointed end town house
• Three bedrooms
• Spacious kitchen diner
• Fitted bathroom with shower
• Gas c/heating & D/glazing
• Unfurnished
• Energy Rating 'D'
£495 PCM



**WILLENHALL
KEATS ROAD**
• First floor two bed apartment
• Fitted kitchen with gas cooker
• Kitchen with cooler
• Bathroom with shower
• Gas central heating
• Double glazed
• Energy Rating 'C'
• Available immediately
£400 PCM



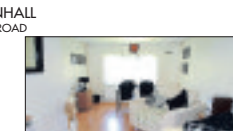
**WEDNESBURY
BROOKSIDE**
• Attractive first floor apartment
• Two bedrooms
• Fitted kitchen with oven, hob and extractor
• Lounge
• Bathroom with shower
• Communal garden
• Energy Rating 'D'
£450 PCM



**WILLENHALL
LEVESON STREET**
• Traditional style spacious
• Double glazed
• Three bedrooms
• Gas central heating
• Fitted kitchen with gas cooker
• Lounge and dining room
• Energy Rating 'D'
£425 PCM



**WILLENHALL
KEATS ROAD**
• First floor two bed apartment
• Fitted kitchen with gas cooker
• Kitchen with cooler
• Bathroom with shower
• Gas central heating
• Double glazed
• Energy Rating 'C'
• Available immediately
£400 PCM



**WILLENHALL
KEATS ROAD**
• First floor two bed apartment
• Fitted kitchen with gas cooker
• Kitchen with cooler
• Bathroom with shower
• Gas central heating
• Double glazed
• Energy Rating 'C'
• Available immediately
£400 PCM

WILLENHALL

PRINCETHORPE ROAD

- Modern style mid town house
- Three bedrooms
- G/central heating & D/glazing
- Fitted dining kitchen
- Fitted bathroom with bath & shower
- Enclosed rear garden
- Off road parking
- Energy Rating 'B'



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● DHSS Accepted●No Pets or Smokers

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● Fitted Kitchen●Downstairs Bathroom
● Gas Central Heating & Double Glazing
● Rear Garden●DHSS Accepted

£525 PCM



Walsall
Sneyd Lane
● Three Bedroom Semi-Detached
● Lounge●Dining Room
● Family Bathroom
● Double Glazing●Central Heating
● Sorry No DHSS

£495 PCM



Walsall
Waverley Road
● Three Bedroom Terrace
● One Reception room
● Fitted Kitchen●Family Bathroom
● Off Road Parking
● DHSS Accepted

£495 PCM



Bloxwich
Holmeadow Avenue
● Three Bedroom Semi-Detached
● Lounge●Kitchen●Gas Central Heating
● First Floor Family Bathroom
● Double Glazing●Front & Rear Gardens
● Block Paved Driveway

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Bloxwich
Usk Close
● Three Bedroom Semi-Detached
● Fitted Kitchen
● Lounge
● Family Bathroom
● D.Glazing/C.Heating
● Front & Rear Garden
● Off Road Parking
● Sorry No DHSS, Pets or Smokers

£495 PCM



Walsall
Jane Lane Close
● Three Bedroom Mid-Terrace
● Lounge●Kitchen/Diner
● Family Bathroom●Rear Garden
● Gas Central Heating●Front Garden
● Off Road Parking●DHSS Accepted

£495 PCM



Bloxwich
Roebuck Road
● Three Bedroom Semi-Detached
● Lounge
● Dining Room
● Fitted Kitchen
● Family Bathroom
● Central Heating
● Garden with Driveway
● Off Road Parking
● DHSS Accepted

£495 PCM



Walsall
Jane Lane Close
● Two Bedroom Semi-Detached
● Completely Refurbished●Bathroom
● Through Lounge●Front & Rear Gardens
● Fitted Kitchen●Diner with Patio Doors
● D.Glazing/Gas C.Heating●DHSS

£495 PCM



Bloxwich
Astbury Close
● Two Bedroom Terrace
● Lounge●Fitted Kitchen
● Family Bathroom●Gas Central Heating
● Double Glazing●Front & Rear Gardens
● Garage●Sorry No DHSS or Pets

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Walsall
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● Two bedroom apartments
● Lounge●Kitchen
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● Master Bedroom with Ensuite
● Sorry No DHSS

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● Two Bedroom Top Floor Flat
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● Allocated Parking Space
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● Two Bedroom End Terrace
● Double Glazing
● Gas Central Heating
● Rear Garden●DHSS Accepted
● Off Road Parking●Sorry No DHSS

£475 PCM



Bloxwich
Green Lane
● Two Bedroom Mid-Terrace
● Two Reception Rooms
● Brand New Kitchen●New Bathroom
● Rear Garden●DHSS Accepted
● Gas Central Heating & Double Glazing

£475 PCM



Willenhall
Kingfisher Court
● Two Bedroom Ground Floor Apartment
● Secure Entrance Gates●Lounge
● Modern Kitchen●Bathroom
● Allocated Parking●Gas Central Heating
● Double Glazing●SORRY NO DHSS

£475 PCM



Walsall
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● One Bedroom Apartment
● Lounge●Kitchen●Bathroom
● Electric Heating●D.Glazing
● Off Road Parking●Secure Entrance
● Sorry no DHSS●Close to Walsall Town

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Walsall
Spring Court, Birmingham Road
● Two Bedroom Ground Floor Flat
● Lounge●Shower Room
● Fitted Kitchen
● Private Parking
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Walsall
Rowland Street
● Two Bedroom Mid-Terrace
● Lounge●Dining Room●Kitchen
● Ground Floor Shower Room
● Rear Garden●Gas Central Heating
● DHSS Accepted

£450 PCM



Walsall
Deermead Court
● Two Bedroom Ground Floor Apartment
● Open Plan Lounge/Kitchen
● En-Suite Shower Room●Bathroom
● Gas Central Heating●Double Glazing
● Allocated Parking●Sorry No DHSS

£440 PCM



Walsall
Cairns Street
● Two Bed Refurbished Property
● Through Lounge
● Fitted Kitchen
● Bathroom
● DHSS Accepted

£430 PCM



Bloxwich
Foster Street
● Two Bedroom Terrace
● Two Reception Rooms
● Double Glazing●Gas Central Heating
● Fitted Kitchen
● DHSS Accepted

£425 PCM



Walsall
Cairns Street
● Two Bedroom Terrace
● Being Refurbished throughout
● Kitchen●Family Bathroom
● Double Glazing● Gas Central Heating
● Rear Garden●DHSS Accepted

£425 PCM



Walsall
Waterfront Way
● One Bedroom Apartment
● Lounge●Fitted kitchen
● Electric Heating
● Double Glazing
● Double Glazing
● Sorry no DHSS

£400 PCM



Bloxwich
Foster Street
● Two Bedroom Terrace
● Two Reception Rooms
● Family Bathroom●Gas Central Heating
● Double Glazing●Rear Garden
● DHSS Accepted

£400 PCM



Walsall
Hillary Street
● First Floor Two Bedroom Flat
● Lounge
● Fitted Kitchen
● Family Bathroom
● DHSS Accepted

£390 PCM



Bloxwich
Field Road
● One Bedroom Flat
● Kitchen●Bathroom
● Central Heating
● Double Glazing
● Sorry No DHSS

£375 PCM



Willenhall
Market Place
● One Bedroom
● Lounge●Modern Fitted Kitchen
● Modern Bathroom
● Gas Central Heating
● DHSS Accepted

£375 PCM



Bloxwich
Parker Street
● One Bedroom Flats
● Lounge●Kitchen
● Bathroom
● Central Heating
● DHSS Accepted

£370 PCM



Bloxwich
Harrison Street
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<p>FOR SALE</p>  <p>ORCHARD RD, WILLENHALL</p> <p>Well Presented Cottage Style Two Bed Mid Terrace Having Lounge, Kitchen/Diner, Utility, Groundfloor W.C., Master Bedroom With Fitted Furniture, Family Bathroom With Separate Shower Cubicle, D/Glazing, C/Heating, Large Rear Garden. Cul-De-Sac Location. Must View.</p> <p>£92,995</p>	<p>FOR SALE</p>  <p>SOLD</p> <p>SQUIRES GROVE, WILLENHALL</p> <p>Well Presented Modern First Floor Apartment In This Popular Location, Lounge/Diner, Two Bedrooms, Master With En-Suite, Modern Fitted Kitchen, Family Bathroom, Electric Heating, D/Glazing, Allocated Parking, Must View!</p> <p>£89,995</p>	<p>FOR SALE</p>  <p>KING EDWARD STREET, DARLASTON</p> <p>Well Presented Two Bed Mid Terrace, Two Reception Rooms, Extended Kitchen, Ground Floor Bathroom, Two Double Bedrooms, First Floor W.C., UPVC D/Glazing, C/Heating, Private Rear Garden.</p> <p>£86,000</p>	<p>FOR SALE</p>  <p>TO LET</p> <p>RENT ST, WILLENHALL</p> <p>Well Presented Two Bed End Terrace Property Having Two Reception Rooms, Modern Fitted Kitchen, Separate Utility, Two Double Bedrooms, Family Bathroom, Two Good Sized Bedrooms, D/Glazing, C/Heating, Cul-De-Sac Location. IDEAL FIRST</p> <p>£84,995</p>
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<p>TO LET</p> <p>CLOTHIER ST, WILLENHALL</p> <p>Modern Three Bed Semi Comprising Of Lounge, Kitchen Diner, Family Bathroom, Double Glazing, Central Heating, Off Road Parking And Enclosed Rear Garden. Viewing Recommended.</p> <p>£525 PCM</p>	<p>TO LET</p> <p>JENNER ROAD, BEECHDALE</p> <p>Three Bed End Town House Comprising Of Entrance Hall, Spacious Lounge/Diner, Fitted Kitchen, Three Bedrooms, Family Bathroom, C/Heating & D/Glazing And Enclosed Rear Garden.</p> <p>£500 PCM</p>	<p>TO LET</p> <p>LOWRY CLOSE, WILLENHALL</p> <p>Three Bedroom Mid Terrace House Comprising Of Lounge, Kitchen Diner, Family Bathroom, Double Glazing, Central Heating, Front And Rear Gardens. Good Transport Links. Must View!</p> <p>£475 PCM</p>	<p>FOR SALE</p> <p>CIRCUIT CLOSE, WILLENHALL</p> <p>A One Bedroom Second Floor Flat Comprising Of Entrance Hall, Lounge, Kitchen, Master Bedroom And Bathroom. Ideal First Time Buy/Buy To Let Investment With No Upward Chain.</p> <p>£42,950</p>

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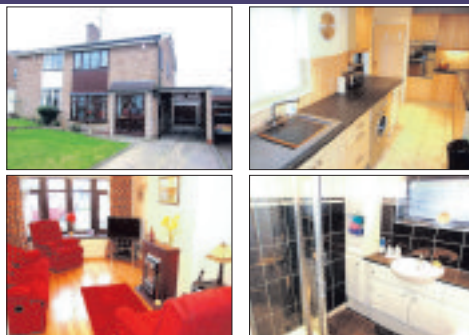


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- Modern well maintained detached property
- Three bedrooms • En-suite shower room • Family bathroom
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- Garage • Driveway • Enclosed garden
- Gas central heating • Double glazing • Energy rating 'C'

£199,950



**NEW INVENTION (OFF SNEYD LANE)
HEATH ROAD**

- Spacious detached property • Popular location
- Three bedrooms • Large established garden
- 20ft lounge • Dining room • Fitted breakfast kitchen
- Bathroom • Garage and ample parking
- Gas central heating • Double glazing • Energy rating 'C'

£179,950



**WILLENHALL
OVERDALE DRIVE**

- Spacious detached bungalow • Popular location
- Large through lounge/dining room • Kitchen
- Two bedrooms • Bathroom
- Front & rear gardens • Garage, drive & carport
- No chain • Energy rating 'D'

£155,000



**WILLENHALL
HONEYBOURNE WAY**

- Superb much improved modern style semi detached
- Lounge • Conservatory • Re-fitted Kitchen • Popular location
- Three bedrooms • Re-fitted luxury bathroom
- Gas central heating • Double glazing • Pleasant gardens
- Garage • Driveway • Energy rating 'C'

£145,000



**PORTOBELLO
EVANS STREET**

- Traditional Style Semi Detached • Three Bedrooms
- Lounge • Refitted Dining Kitchen • Refitted Bathroom
- Large Rear Gardens • Driveway • No Chain
- Gas Central Heating • Double Glazing
- Energy Rating 1BC

£105,000



**WILLENHALL
ARCYLL COURT, ESSINGTON ROAD**

- Well presented ground floor apartment
- Lounge • Fitted kitchen • Double bedroom
- Bathroom • Double glazing • Gas central heating
- Allocated parking space • No chain
- Energy Rating 1BC

£70,000



**BENTLEY, WALSALL
WOLVERHAMPTON ROAD WEST**

- Individually designed detached bungalow
- Three bedrooms • Lounge & dining kitchen
- Part double glazing • Gas central heating • 20ft garage
- No chain • Viewing recommended
- Energy Rating 'BC'

£250,000



**WILLENHALL
HALEY STREET**

- Traditional style mid terrace property
- Three bedrooms • Lounge • Refitted dining kitchen
- Ground floor shower room • En-suite w.c.
- Utility • Part d/glazing • Part gas c/heating
- Driveway • Rear garden • Energy Rating 'BC'

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**WILLENHALL
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- Superb well appointed five bedroom detached family residence
- Spacious lounge, dining room • Impressive breakfast kitchen
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- Family bathroom • Double glazing • Gas central heating
- Pleasant rear garden, driveway • Energy Rating 'C'

WAS £192,500, NOW £185,000



**COPPICE FARM
GRAZWOOD CLOSE**

- Extended modern style detached residence
- Three large double bedrooms • Lounge
- Refitted dining kitchen • Family bathroom
- Double glazing • Gas central heating • Garage & driveway
- Utility • Rear garden • Energy Rating 'C'

£164,950



**WILLENHALL
BILSTON ROAD**

- Pleasantly appointed detached property
- Gas c/heating, d/glazing • Lounge • Dining room
- Refitted kitchen • 1 bedroom
- Potential to extend to rear (subject to planning)
- Off road parking • Energy Rating 'E'

WAS £175,000 NOW £169,950



**NEW INVENTION
ESSINGTON ROAD**

- Brand new development of two detached bungalows
- Two bedrooms and fitted bathroom
- Rear garden • Garage in separate block
- Spacious Living Room & Dining Area • Fitted Kitchen
- Gas Central Heating, Double Glazed Windows

£169,995 PART EXCHANGE CONSIDERED



**COPPICE FARM
KINGFISHER GROVE**

- Pleasantly appointed modern style detached property
- Three bedrooms, en-suite shower room • Lounge & dining rooms
- UPVC double glazed conservatory • Fitted kitchen & utility rooms
- Refitted bathroom with shower • Enclosed rear garden
- Gas central heating • Double glazed windows • Energy rating 'D'

£179,950



**COPPICE FARM
HIGHMOOR CLOSE**

- Modern style semi detached on generous corner plot
- Potential to extend (subject to planning permission)
- Two bedrooms • Gas central heating • UPVC double glazing
- Lounge & breakfast kitchen • Sun room & conservatory
- Energy Rating 'D'

£116,000 OFFERS



**SUMMER HAYES
COLLIERS CLOSE**

- Impressive extended much improved detached bungalow
- Lounge and dining room • Spacious open-plan living room
- Refitted kitchen • Four bedrooms • Garage & driveway
- Pleasant rear garden • Gas central heating & double glazing
- Family bathroom • Luxury en-suite shower room • Energy Rating 'D'

£205,000



**WILLENHALL
DILLOWS LANE**

- Extended traditional semi detached property
- Three bedrooms • Refitted bathroom • Extended lounge
- Dining room • Extended kitchen • Double glazing
- Gas central heating • Rear garden • Driveway
- Energy Rating 'C'

£125,000



**BENTLEY, WALSALL
CUNNINGHAM ROAD**

- Pleasant extended semi detached property
- Three bedrooms • Gas c/heating • Sun room
- UPVC d/glazed windows • Spacious 19ft through lounge
- Breakfast kitchen/utility room • Upstairs shower room
- Levelly established rear garden • Energy Rating 'D'

£110,000 OFFERS



**WILLENHALL
ALBION STREET**

- Superb end terrace property
- Spacious lounge • Dining kitchen
- Three bedrooms • Double glazing • Gas central heating
- Garage, driveway • Viewing recommended
- Energy Rating 'C'

£134,995 NO CHAIN

WILLENHALL

- Spacious Four Bed Detached • Lounge & dining room
- Fitted breakfast kitchen • En-suite • Gas central heating
- UPVC double glazed windows • Driveway • Energy 'C'

WAS £185,000 NOW £179,000

WOLVERHAMPTON

- Much improved semi detached bungalow • Two bedrooms
- Refitted kitchen • Spacious lounge • Refitted bathroom
- Off road parking • Gas CH, Double glazing • Energy 'D'

£109,950 NO CHAIN

WILLENHALL

- Superb Ground floor apartment • Two bedrooms
- Open plan lounge/kitchen • Bathroom, Parking Space
- Double glazing • Central heating • Energy Rating 'C'

£87,500 NO CHAIN

NEW INVENTION

- Dormer Two/three bedroom link detached bungalow
- Energy 'F' • Two receptions • Bathroom • Gas CH
- Double glazing • 30ft side garage • Rear Garden

£159,950 OFFERS, NO CHAIN

HADLEY HEATH. WILLENHALL

- Pleasant improved modern style semi • Two bedrooms
- Gas c/heating • Lounge • Bathroom • Double Glazing
- Carport • Attractive enclosed rear garden • Energy 'C'

£103,000

WILLENHALL

- Spacious Victorian style end terrace • Two bedrooms
- Bathroom • Two receptions • Kitchen • Gas CH
- Part UPVC d/glazed windows • Energy Rating 'E'

£86,000 NO CHAIN

WILLENHALL

- Pleasant semi detached property • Three bedrooms
- Gas CH • Double Glazing • Two receptions • Fitted kitchen
- Upstairs bathroom • Front and rear gardens • Energy 'D'

£120,000

NEW INVENTION

- Pleasant one bedroom semi • Two Receptions
- Fitted kitchen • Pleasant Rear garden • Off road parking
- Gas central heating • Double Glazing • Energy Rating 'D'

£87,950 OFFERS

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- Kitchen • Shower Rm • Communal gardens & parking
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LOT 1 **22 Peacock Road** **DARLASTON**

Viewing: 25th March at 10.00am



****CASH OFFERS ONLY**** Traditionally styled mid terraced residence in need of complete modernisation and improvement, consisting of: Front Living Room 4.49m x 3.6m, Kitchen 2.39m x 4.55m, Rear Lobby. Bedroom One 3.8m x 2.64m, Bedroom Two 3.4m x 3.3m, Bedroom Three 2.3m x 2.58m, Bathroom 2.18m x 1.6m. Fore and Rear Garden. EPC Rating D.

GUIDE PRICE £20,000- £30,000

LOT 2 **42 Barracks lane** **BLAKENALL**

Viewing: 22th March at 11.00am



Traditional mid terraced dwelling house in need of complete modernisation and improvement. Briefly comprising Reception Hall, Lounge 4.2m x 3.3m, Kitchen/Diner 6.5m x 3m, Large Lobby. Bedroom One 4.2m x 3.3m, Bedroom Two 3m x 4.2m, Bedroom Three 3m x 2.1m, Bathroom. Fore and Rear Gardens. EPC Rating E

GUIDE PRICE £25,000- £30,000

LOT 3 **98 Gainsborough Crescent** **BIRMINGHAM**

Viewing: 25th March at 2.30pm



Traditionally styled semi detached residence situated in a popular residential area on the Pheasey Estate. The property is in need of complete improvement and modernisation and is set back from the road behind a block paved driveway and comprises: Enclosed Porch, Reception Hall, L-Shaped Lounge/Diner 7.1m x 3.95m max, Kitchen 3.13m x 2.42m, Lean to accessed from outside 2.7m x 2.2m. Bedroom One 3.7m x 3.4m, Bedroom Two 3.4m x 3m, Bedroom Three 2.38m x 2.84m, Bathroom 2.39m x 1.64m. Fore and Rear Gardens. EPC Rating F

GUIDE PRICE £45,000- £55,000

LOT 4 **27 Chester Road North** **BROWNHILLS**

Viewing: Strictly by appointment through Auctioneer



GUIDE PRICE £165,000- £185,000

An exciting residential investment opportunity of three self contained properties, situated close to Brownhills Town center, redeveloped in 2011, ideal for the buy to let investor. Number 27: Let on an Assured Shorthold 6 month Tenancy commencing 20/9/2012 at £500.00 PCM Hall, Store, Kitchen 1.94m x 2.35m, Lounge 4.32m x 3.33m, Landing, Bedroom 3.32m x 2.64m, Bedroom 2 2.43m x 3.32m, Bathroom, Rear Garden, Electric Central Heating, uPVC double glazing and Parking. EPC Rating D - Number 27a: Let on an Assured Shorthold 6 month Tenancy commencing 1/10/2012 at £450.00 PCM wron views across Green Belt. In need of some improvements the property offers an ideal opportunity for future development and extensions and comprises: Reception Hall, Dining Room 4.5m max x 3m, Extended Living Room 5.4m x 3.99m max, Kitchen 2.48m x 2.2m, Rear Lobby with stores, Large Utility/Verandah 4.5m x 2.6m, Bedroom One 3.5m x 4.3m max, Bedroom Two 3.8m x 3.5m, Bedroom 2.3m x 2.2m, Bathroom. Garage 5.78m x 2.6m, Fore Garden with off street parking. Attractive Rear Garden with open aspect. EPC Rating F

LOT 5 **5 Bagnall Street** **LEAMORE**

Viewing: 22nd March at 10.00am



GUIDE PRICE £25,000-£35,000

****CASH OFFERS ONLY**** Traditionally styled mid terraced property in need of thorough modernisation and improvement consisting of: Reception Hall, Lounge 4.3m x 3.6m, Kitchen 4.5m x 3.5m, Bedroom 2.7m x 3.2m, Bedroom 3.5m x 2.6m, Bedroom 2.79m x 2.2m, Bathroom 2.63m x 3.12m. Fore and Rear Gardens. EPC Rating D

LOT 6 **1 Stanton Road** **Stoke on Trent**

Viewing: 22nd March at 11.00am



Traditionally styled end terraced double glazed property just off Mier High Street offering tremendous scope for further improvement, ideal for an investor. Porch, Entrance Hall, Lounge 3.3m x 3.4m, Dining Room 3.3m x 3.1m, Kitchen 3.3m x 1.9m, Room 2.5m x 2m, Room 2m x 3.4m. Bedroom One 3m x 3.3m max, Bedroom Two 3.3m x 3.3m max, Bathroom 3.3m x 2.2m max. Fore and Rear Gardens. EPC Rating E.

GUIDE PRICE £35,000 PLUS

LOT 7 **617 Sutton Road** **WALSALL**

Viewing: 25th March at 3.00pm



GUIDE PRICE £190,000- £210,000

A traditionally styled detached family residence set in a delightful semi rural location with views across Green Belt. In need of some improvements the property offers an ideal opportunity for future development and extensions and comprises: Reception Hall, Dining Room 4.5m max x 3m, Extended Living Room 5.4m x 3.99m max, Kitchen 2.48m x 2.2m, Rear Lobby with stores, Large Utility/Verandah 4.5m x 2.6m, Bedroom One 3.5m x 4.3m max, Bedroom Two 3.8m x 3.5m, Bedroom 2.3m x 2.2m, Bathroom. Garage 5.78m x 2.6m, Fore Garden with off street parking. Attractive Rear Garden with open aspect. EPC Rating F

LOT 8 **248 Wolverhampton Road** **WALSALL**

Viewing: 25th March at 12.45pm



Traditionally styled double glazed Victorian mid terrace property situated on the main Wolverhampton Road in need of modernisation and improvement. Lounge 3.6m x 3.15m, Dining Room 3.6m x 3.7m, Kitchen 3.58m x 2.1m, Bathroom 1.7m max x 2.1m, Separate W.C. Bedroom One 3.6m x 3.15m, Bedroom Two 3.7m x 2.78m, Bedroom Three 3.6m x 2.1m, Small Foregarden, Enclosed Yard, Rear Garden. EPC Rating E

GUIDE PRICE £50,000- £60,000

LOT 9 **15 Yew Tree Road** **SHELFIELD**

Viewing: 22nd March at 1.30pm



Traditional semi detached residence in need of complete improvement and modernisation. Reception Hall, Lounge 4.2m x 3.7m, Kitchen 2.9m x 3m, Inner Hall with lift access, Wet Room 2.1m x 1.7m, Bedroom One 5m x 2.88m, Bedroom Two 3.8m x 4m, Room 2.5m x 1.6m, Lift Area and Landing. Fore and Rear Gardens. EPC Rating E

GUIDE PRICE £40,000- £50,000

LOT 10 **1008 Kingsbury Road** **ERDINGTON**

Viewing: 25th March at 10.30am



Conveniently located this traditionally styled mid terrace property offers tremendous scope for further improvement and would make an ideal purchase for an investor or builder. Reception Hall, Lounge 4.1m x 3.56m, Dining Room 3.51m x 3.25m, Useful Large Store Room, Kitchen 3m x 1.76m, Bathroom 3.84m x 1.9m, W.C. Bedroom One 4.1m x 3.56m, Bedroom Two 3.23m x 3m, Bedroom Three 2.3m x 2m. Rear Gardens. EPC Rating F

GUIDE PRICE £40,000- £50,000

LOT 11 **5 Whitton Street** **WEDNESBURY**

Viewing: 25th March 10.30am



Traditionally styled Victorian terraced property in need of full modernisation and improvement situated within a short distance of Darlaston Centre. Lounge 3.6m x 3.6m, Dining Room 3.6m x 3.6m, Kitchen 2.2m x 3m, Lobby, W.C., Bathroom. Bedroom One 3.6m x 3.6m, Bedroom Two 2.6m x 3.6m, Bedroom Three 2m x 4m max. Enclosed Yard & Garage at rear. EPC Rating F

GUIDE PRICE £40,000- £50,000

LOT 12 **35 Trevor Road** **PELSALL**

Viewing: 22nd March at 1.00pm



Traditional mid terrace property in need of modernisation and improvement. Reception Hall, Lounge 4.3m x 2.8m, Kitchen 4.3m x 2.3m, Bedroom One 3.4m x 3m, Bedroom Two 3.7m x 3.4m, Bedroom Three 2.7m x 2.6m, Bathroom, Separate W.C. Fore and Rear Gardens. EPC Rating F

GUIDE PRICE £35,000-£45,000

LOT 13 **9 Appledore Road** **WALSALL**

Viewing: Strictly by appointment through Auctioneers



GUIDE PRICE £110,000- £130,000

This semi detached property is situated in a sought after residential area on the Orchard Hills Estate off the Sutton Road. Offering tremendous scope for improvement and room for extensions, the property comprises: Enclosed Porch, Reception Hall, Lounge 4.9m x 5.36m max, Kitchen 2.77m x 1.9m, Bedroom One 3m x 4m, Bedroom Two 3.3m x 3m, Bedroom Three 2.9m x 1.8m, Bathroom 1.8m x 1.6m, Carport 4.1m x 4m, Garage 6.7m x 2.7m max with Brick Store, Foregarden with ample off street parking, Enclosed Rear Garden. EPC Rating G

LOT 14 **394 Wolverhampton Road East** **WOLVERHAMPTON**

Viewing: Strictly by appointment through Auctioneer



A charming traditional semi detached house with gas central heating and in need of general modernisation, situated in a popular location, the property has the unusual advantage of a large underbuild and offers scope for further improvement. Hall, Lounge 3.6m x 3.8m, Dining Room 3.8m x 3.71m, Kitchen 2.69m x 1.94m, Verandah 1.42m x 3.85m, Landing, Bedroom 1 3.38m x 3.71m, Bedroom 2 3.08m x 3.6m, Bedroom 3 2.02m x 2.32m, Bathroom, Large Basement Store, Large rear garden, foregarden, Garage at rear approached via private driveway. EPC Rating E

GUIDE PRICE £75,000- £85,000

LOT 15 **31 Archer Road** **WALSALL**

Viewing: 22nd March at 10.30am



****CASH OFFERS ONLY**** Traditional three bedroom semi detached property in need of complete modernisation and improvement. Porch, Reception Hall, Lounge 4.4m x 3.2m, Kitchen 2.5m x 3m, Dining Room 3.7m x 3m, Side Lobby 7.9m x 1m, Rear Outbuilding 3.3m x 1.5m. Bedroom One 4.4m x 2.7m max, Bedroom Two 4.3m x 3.2m max, Bedroom Three 2.3m x 1.7m, Bathroom 2.8m x 2.1m. Driveway, Fore and Rear Gardens. EPC Rating C

GUIDE PRICE £25,000- £35,000

LOT 16 **44 Anson Road** **WALSALL**

Viewing: 25th March at 11.15am



Traditional semi detached dwelling house in need of complete modernisation and improvement. Briefly comprising Entrance Hall, Lounge 4.5m x 4.5m, Kitchen 3.3m x 2.9m, Bathroom, Rear Lobby. Store. Bedroom One 4.5m x 2m, Bedroom Two 3.5m x 3.4m, Bedroom Three 3.5m x 2.4m, W.C. Fore and Rear Gardens. EPC Rating G

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LOT 17 23 Hamilton Street BLAKENALL

Viewing: 22nd March 11.30am



Traditional three bedroom semi detached property in need of thorough modernisation and improvement comprising: Lounge 3.87m x 4.1m max, Kitchen 4.25m x 2.3m max, W.C. Bedroom one 3.2m x 3m, Bedroom Two 3.4m x 2.6m, Bedroom Three 2.5m x 2.4m, Bathroom. Fore and Rear Gardens. EPC Rating C

GUIDE PRICE £35,000-£45,000

LOT 18 86 & 87 Stockton Road WORCESTERSHIRE

Viewing: 25th March at 1.00pm



Occupying an idyllic location between Stourport and Tenbury Wells, this pair of cottages enjoys tremendous views across the valley with rolling farmland and hills. In need of complete renovation, the properties are to be sold as a joint lot and offer tremendous scope for improvement. Set on a good size plot with wide frontage with off street parking area, side and rear gardens/yards. For further details see individual lots. **CONDITIONS OF SALE:** The properties are to be sold as one lot. If however a successful sale is not achieved in the auction room, the properties will then be sold as individual lots in accordance with their catalogue entries. EPC Rating for both 86 and 87 is E.

GUIDE PRICE £150,000- £200,000

LOT 19 86 Stockton Road WORCESTERSHIRE

Viewing: 25th March at 1.00pm



A semi detached cottage extended at ground and first floor to offer spacious accommodation but in need of complete modernisation and improvement. Side driveway leads to parking area with outbuildings and raised garden with attractive views. Living Room 3.8m x 5.7m, Room 3.3m x 3.2m, Room 6.96m max x 3.03m, Bedroom 3.6m max x 3.8m, Bedroom 3.3m max x 3m, Kitchen 3.6m x 3.2m, Room 5.28m x 3.2m, Shower Room 3.8m x 1.8m max. EPC Rating E.

GUIDE PRICE £80,000- £110,000

LOT 20 87 Stockton Road WORCESTERSHIRE

Viewing: 25th March at 1.00pm



A semi detached cottage in need of complete modernisation and improvement but affording tremendous scope for further improvement. The property enjoys side courtyard, driveway and rear yard. Lounge 5.59m x 3.86m max, Kitchen 5.89m x 3.28m, Rear lobby 4.75m x 1.6m, Bathroom 3.2m x 2.84m, Side Verandah 6m x 2.7m, Bedroom One 5.89m x 3.3m, Bedroom Two 3.5m x 3.85m, Bathroom 1.9m x 1.9m. Driveway, Side Courtyard and Rear Yard. EPC Rating E

GUIDE PRICE £70,000- £90,000

LOT 21 379 Birmingham Road WALSALL

Viewing: Strictly by appointment through Auctioneers



Traditionally styled double fronted detached bungalow residence set on 0.4 acres in a highly regarded residential area of South Walsall. With gas fired central heating the property offers tremendous scope for further extensions, development and improvement. Enclosed Porch, Impressive T-Shaped Entrance Hall, Lounge 4.87m x 5.2m max with feature fireplace, Delightful Dining Room with oak panelling 4.1m x 3.8m, Kitchen 5.5m x 2.4m with access to Rear Porch and Guest WC, Bedroom One 4.68m x 3.94m, Bedroom Two 3.6m x 3.6m, Bathroom with suite and shower 2.2m x 2.3m. Stairs to Landing with access to Bedroom 4.8m x 2.8m and 2.5m x 3.4m, Eaves Storage Space 2.2m x 2.4m. Two Brick Outhouses, Garage 5.6m x 2.75m, Driveway with ample off street parking and raised fore garden. Mature lawned rear garden with trees and shrubs, the whole plot amounting to some 0.4 acres approx. EPC Rating E.

GUIDE PRICE £195,000- £215,000

LOT 22 16 Friezland Road WALSALL

Viewing: 25th March at 12.15pm



Traditional semi detached property in need of total refurbishment and modernisation. Reception Hall, Lounge 4.1m x 4m, Kitchen 2.8m x 2.1m max, Wet Room, Bedroom One 5.2m max x 2.9m, Bedroom Two 3.4m x 2.5m, Bedroom Three 2.6m x 2.4m. Fore and Rear Gardens. EPC Rating F.

GUIDE PRICE £45,000- £55,000

LOT 23 56 Abbotts Street BLAKENALL

Viewing: 22nd March at 12.00pm



Traditional semi detached property sat on a corner plot in need of thorough modernisation and improvement. Reception Hall, Lounge 4.2m x 3.76m, Kitchen 3m x 2.9m, Bathroom 2.9m x 1.8m, Lobby, W.C. Bedroom One 3.3m x 2.76m, Bedroom Two 3m x 2.5m, Bedroom Three 2.6m x 3.7m. Fore, Side and Rear Gardens. EPC Rating E

GUIDE PRICE £40,000- £50,000

LOT 24 17 New Road ALDRIDGE

Viewing: Strictly by appointment through Auctioneers



Traditionally styled two storey semi detached dwelling house with gas fired central heating and double glazing, offering an ideal opportunity for a first time buyer or investor. Situated in a pleasant residential area within a short distance of Aldridge Village Centre, the property comprises of the following in greater detail: Front door leads to Reception Hall, Lounge 3.63m x 3.8m with feature fireplace, Separate Dining Area 2.5m x 3.3m, Kitchen 4.3m x 2.2m. Staircase leads to Landing providing access to Bedroom One 3.68m x 2.8m, Bedroom Two 2.7m x 3.3m, Bedroom Three 3.3m x 2m, Bathroom with matching suite 1.8m x 1.68m, Garage 5.1m x 2.6m. The property is set back from the road behind a paved driveway with off street parking, whilst to the rear is an enclosed private garden. EPC Rating E.

GUIDE PRICE £90,000- 100,000

LOT 25 61 Ashtree Road PELSALL

Viewing: 22nd March at 12.30pm



Traditionally styled semi detached dwelling house situated just off Pelsall Village Centre, in need of thorough improvement and modernisation, but offering tremendous scope for further improvement. The property comprises: Porch, Entrance Hall, Lounge 3.7m x 3.7m, Dining Room 3.7m x 4.1m, Lobby 1.8m x 2.4m, Kitchen 2.4m x 2.9m, Bathroom 2.4m x 1.3m, Rear Store 2.5m x 2.4m, Bedroom One 3.6m x 5.2, Bedroom Two 2.89m x 2.85m, Bedroom Three 2.2m x 3.7m, Garage 2.3m x 5.6m, Small Fore garden, Driveway, Rear Garden. EPC Rating E.

GUIDE PRICE £60,000- £70,000

LOT 26 85 Copthall Road HANDSWORTH

Viewing: 25th March at 1.45pm



A traditionally styled part double glazed semi detached dwelling house in need of improvement and modernisation, ideal for builder or investor. Located on the Handsworth/West Bromwich border. Lounge 3.9m max x 3.32m, Dining Room 3.3m x 4.04m max, Kitchen 2.6m x 3m, Rear Lobby 2.73m x 1.04m, Bedroom One 3.37m x 3.06m, Bedroom Two 3.37m x 3.46m, Bedroom Three 2.26m x 2.64m, Bathroom 1.9m x 2.3m. Garage, driveway and fore garden, enclosed rear gardens. EPC Rating G

GUIDE PRICE £70,000- £80,000

LOT 27 28 Blackthorne Road WALSALL

Viewing: 22nd March at 2.15pm



Traditional three bedroom semi detached property with double glazing in a convenient location offering further potential and comprising: Hall, Lounge 4.22m x 3.96m, Kitchen 4.37m x 2.57m, Inner Hall, Store, W.C., Bedroom One 3.12m x 3.02m, Bedroom Two 3.53m x 2.77m, Bedroom Three 2.59m x 2.44m, Bathroom 1.85m x 1.8m. Fore Garden with Driveway Parking and Rear Garden. EPC Rating F

GUIDE PRICE £75,000- £85,000

LOT 28 41 Follyhouse lane WALSALL

Viewing: 25th March at 3.30pm



Offering tremendous scope for improvement this traditionally styled semi detached residence situated in a popular location not far from Walsall Town Centre. The property comprises: Lounge 3.67m x 3.37m, Dining Room 3.67m x 3.6m, Kitchen 2.4m x 1.9m, Utility 2.6m x 1.7m, Bedroom One 3.67m x 3.37m, Bedroom Two 3.6m x 3.67m, Bedroom Three 2m x 1.9m, Bathroom, Garage 5.8m x 2.6m, fore garden with driveway, attractive private rear gardens. EPC Rating E

GUIDE PRICE £60,000- £70,000

LOT 29 124 Lodge Road STOKE ON TRENT

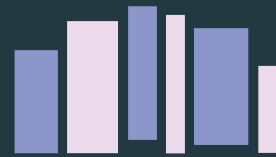
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Conveniently located, this self contained flat is in need of internal modernisation, but has double glazing. Ideal for an investor, the property comprises: Reception Hall, Lounge 4m x 3m, Kitchen 2.6m x 2m, Dining Room 3m x 2.6m, Bathroom, Bedroom 3.1m x 3m and Communal Gardens. EPC Rating D.

GUIDE PRICE £20,000- £30,000

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- A traditional 3 bed semi detached
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- Good size modern kitchen / diner
- Pleasant upstairs family bathroom
- Gas Central Heating and Double Glazing
- Enclosed rear garden and driveway

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Honeybourne Way,

- A superb 3bed semi detached property
- A spacious lounge with feature fireplace
- A modern fitted kitchen with cooker & hob
- A pleasant upstairs family bathroom
- Gas central heating and Double glazing
- Fully enclosed rear garden & Parking

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Bloxwich Road,

- A superb 3bed mid terrace
- 2 Spacious reception rooms
- New fitted kitchen with cooker
- Pleasant downstairs bathroom with shower
- Gas central heating and Double glazing
- Enclosed rear garden, Dss accepted

NEW £495 pcm

Pendlebury Close

- Brand new 2bed 2nd floor apartment
- 1 Spacious reception room
- Fully fitted modern kitchen with cooker
- A good size pleasant bathroom
- Gas central heating and upvc double glazing
- Allocated parking, washing machine

NEW £495 pcm

Pendlebury Close

- ★ Brand new 2bed ground floor apartment
- ★ 1 Spacious reception room
- ★ Fully fitted modern kitchen with cooker
- ★ A good size pleasant bathroom
- ★ Gas central heating and upvc double glazing
- ★ Allocated parking, washing machine

NEW £475 pcm

Dora Street

- A 3 bed mid terrace property
- 2 spacious reception rooms
- Modern fitted kitchen
- A pleasant downstairs family bathroom
- Gas Central Heating and Double Glazing
- DSS accepted, Enclosed rear garden

NEW £475 pcm

Queen Mary Street,

- A superb 2bed mid terrace
- 2 Spacious reception rooms
- A modern fitted kitchen
- Downstairs family bathroom
- Gas central heating and Double Glazing
- Rear garden and dss accepted

NEW £425 pcm

Bradford Street,

- A spectacular 1bed refurbished flat
- 2 Spacious lounge areas
- Brand new fitted kitchen with cooker
- A pleasant modern bathroom with shower
- Gas central heating and Double glazing
- Town centre location

NEW £425pcm

Stafford Street,

- A 2bed 1st floor apartment
- A spacious reception room
- A fitted kitchen with cooker
- Shower room with separate WC
- Gas central heating and Double glazing
- Dss accepted, optional furnished

NEW £395pcm

Thornbury Road,

- A modern 1bed 1st floor apartment
- 1 Spacious reception room
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- A spectacular refurbished studio apartment
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- Town centre location

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- Fully fitted kitchen with cooker and fridge
- A pleasant bathroom with shower over bath
- Electric heating and Double glazing
- Dss Accepted, located in willenhall town center

NEW £350 pcm

Paddock Lane

- A Re-furnished 1 bed apartment
- 1 reception room
- Modern fitted kitchen with cooker
- New downstairs bathroom with shower
- Gas Central Heating and Double Glazing
- DSS accepted

NEW £350 pcm

Tudor House

- A Superb 1 bed 2nd floor apartment
- Spacious lounge
- Modern fitted kitchen with cooker
- Family bathroom with shower over bath
- Electric Heating and Double Glazing
- Modern Decor throughout

NEW £300 pcm

Market Place

- A re-furnished studio apartment
- Open planned kitchen and living area
- Modern fitted kitchen with cooker
- Good size bathroom with shower cubicle
- Gas Central Heating and Double Glazing
- DSS accepted

£675 pcm

Mellish Park

- A luxury 2 bed ground floor apartment
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The Crescent

- A superb 4bed semi detached
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- Utility, Guest WC and integral garage
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£525pcm

Chuckery Road

- ★ A superb 3bed end terrace house
- ★ A spacious double lounge
- ★ A modern fitted kitchen with cooker
- ★ A pleasant family bathroom
- ★ Gas central heating and Double glazing
- ★ Fully enclosed rear garden, Dss accepted

£495 pcm

Wenlock Gardens

- A 3bed semi detached property
- 2 spacious reception rooms
- A good size modern fitted kitchen
- A pleasant upstairs family bathroom
- Gas central heating throughout
- Dss accepted with a guarantor

£525 pcm

Bath Road

- A traditional 3 bed mid terrace
- 2 spacious reception rooms
- Modern fitted kitchen with cooker
- Downstairs family bathroom
- Superb bathroom with shower over bath
- Gas Central Heating and Double Glazing
- DSS accepted

£495 pcm

Abbey Square, Bloxwich

- A 3 bed mid terrace property
- 1 spacious reception room
- Fitted kitchen/diner
- Upstairs bathroom with separate WC
- Gas Central Heating and Double Glazing
- DSS accepted

£475 pcm

Scarborough Road

- A recently re-furnished 2 bed mid terrace
- 2 spacious reception rooms
- Modern fitted kitchen with cooker
- Upstairs bathroom with separate shower
- Gas Central Heating and Double Glazing
- DSS accepted

£450 pcm

Kingsley Street

- A traditional 2 bed mid terrace property
- 2 spacious reception rooms
- Modern fitted kitchen with cooker
- Upstairs bathroom with separate shower
- Gas Central Heating and Double Glazing
- DSS accepted

£450 pcm

Dora Street

- A 3 bed mid terrace property
- Spacious through lounge
- Modern fitted kitchen
- Downstairs family bathroom
- Gas Central Heating and Double Glazing
- DSS accepted

£450 pcm

Florence Street

- A 3 bed mid terrace property
- 2 spacious reception rooms
- Modern fitted kitchen with cooker
- A pleasant downstairs family bathroom
- Gas Central Heating and Double Glazing
- DSS accepted, Enclosed rear garden

£425 pcm

Broadstone Avenue,

- A re-furnished 1bed 1st floor apartment
- 2 spacious reception rooms
- Good size open planned lounge/kitchen
- New fitted kitchen with cooker
- Superb bathroom with shower over bath
- Gas central heating and Double glazing
- Neutral decor and laminate flooring

£400 pcm

Broadstone Avenue,

- A re-furnished 1bed 1st floor apartment
- A superb open planned lounge/kitchen
- New fitted kitchen with cooker
- Bathroom with shower over bath
- Gas central heating and Double glazing
- Neutral decor and laminate flooring

£400 pcm

Laburnham House

- One bed ground floor apartment
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A winning combination – the new BMW 320d EfficientDynamics Saloon

Marvel that hits the spot better than the others

By Ian Donaldson

THE official figures read like science fiction; a family saloon capable of nearly 150mph and topping 60mpg in everyday use. Can't be true, can it?

Well no, not really. But so close in the real world to still make this modestly handsome BMW a modern mechanical marvel.

I don't doubt that on a sufficiently long test track the car's potent and distantly gruff diesel engine would push it to the 146mph claimed by its maker, but I didn't get the chance to try it.

I do know, though, that 90mph on the A14 feels so much like a 70mph canter that you need to keep a keen focus on the speedometer.

And I can report that after 600 miles of mixed motor-ing, the trip computer showed 54mpg. That's a tribute to the way the BMW engineers have honed the car's oily bits, without recourse to the complex and expensive extra batteries and motors of, say, a hybrid car.

Combine that everyday economy figure with the car's relaxed performance and it's obvious why the 3 Series is so liked by fleet managers, company car drivers and why it was seventh best seller in the UK last year, ahead of cars like the smaller VW Polo.

This sixth generation 3 Series is BMW's biggest seller worldwide and you can only imagine the amount of mid-night oil burned at BMW central to make sure it continued along this successful sales road.

Smooth

It was time well spent; this is a car that feels smooth and sophisticated in the sort of way that only shedloads of money and time can produce.

There's a deliciously smooth feel about the way the car goes about its business, from steering and clutch to control switches and door closing. It's a class act.

A comfortable one, too, with a nicely cushioned ride in the £28,410 320d SE test car that would surprise passengers familiar with older 3 Series models. Rear seat passengers enjoy another benefit in the latest versions; extra leg room and taller doors to make getting in and out a little easier.

There's a slightly bigger boot too, along with a smoother body shape and a small weight reduction. All showing how BMW has kept the 3 Series at the top of its game by nudging it forward, generation after generation.

With 182bhp under the bonnet from a 2.0 litre diesel, there's always more than enough performance, helped by a gearchange that stays smooth, if not as perfectly precise as some.

The brand's slogan as 'ultimate driving machine' was slightly smudged on the test car by a couple of additions. The car was equipped with £180 worth of servotronic steering which lightens the wheel load at low speeds but removes some of the precision.

The second change was both a timely addition and perhaps another slight constraint on the car's ability to delight a keen driver.

BMW had fitted winter tyres and must have access to a crystal ball, as it snowed (in March!) for several days of my test. They coped brilliantly with slopes and snow-white corners but may have left the car feeling a little less precise than before.

Otherwise, nothing to add in the not-quite-ideal column. Unless you're nit-picking, when you discover it's harder than necessary to discover the time of day (small displays that can vanish when you call up other functions) and a rear screen that stays obscure in the rain (it's a saloon, so no wiper).

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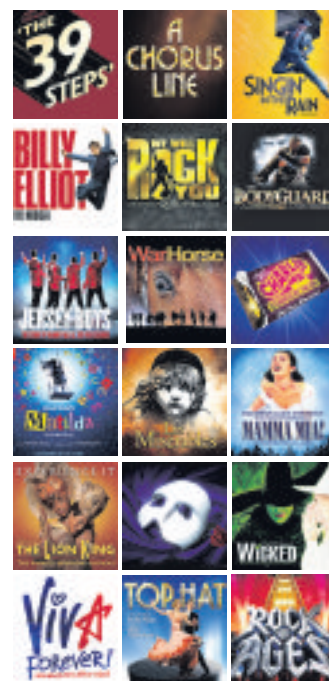
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Steelmen hit seven after early goal shock

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BILSTON maintained their West Midlands League Division One promotion push, despite going behind in the first minute.

A long ball played out to the left was crossed and headed home but Bilston took control to dominate.

Chad McCormack crossed for Lee Onions to level and McCormack scored his first of the season after Fryer saved a free-kick, but the ball fell to him.

Ten minutes later Pinnock hit Bilston's third.

As half-time approached Pinnock's cross was met by Turton. His shot was pushed out for a corner, which saw him head in.

In the second half the fifth came as Turton turned his marker and shot home. Minutes later he had the ball in the net again but was ruled offside.

Pinnock turned provider with a piercing run and cross met by Dan Westwood.

Minutes later the same combination saw Westwood complete the scoring.

■ Ben Mackey hit a hat-trick on his Stourbridge debut as they crushed fellow play-off hopefuls Weymouth 5-0 to stay second in the Evo-Stik Southern Premier.

Mackey, signed from St Neots Town the previous weekend scored twice in the first eight minutes with his first on 22 seconds.

Ben Billingham laid on a chance for him to tuck a low shot away under the diving Simon Evans. Billingham also set up Mackey's second goal seven minutes later.

In the 36th minute Stourbridge grabbed a third from Drew Canavan. The visitors were reduced to 10 men as Mackey completed his hat-trick. Billingham rounded off the scoring on the stroke of full-time.



There's no hiding the delight among the Saddlers players after Will Grigg's equaliser



The stadium seemed a far lonelier place earlier when Febian Brandy missed a chance

Saddlers' impossible dream can continue

Walsall 2 Crawley 2

WRITTEN off in August, written off on Saturday – Walsall continue to deliver the impossible.

They keep defying the doubters – and League One gravity – and refuse to sit down or shut up. With minutes left on Saturday, and 2-0 down against Crawley, it was 'one of those days' for Walsall.

Now, after Jamie Paterson and Will Grigg struck in the dying seconds to rescue a point, it could yet be 'one of those seasons'.

The point was a hammer blow to Crawley's fading promotion hopes but gives the Saddlers continued impetus.

Lost two-goal leads against Brentford, Crewe and Yeovil this season have been much lamented but this role reversal could prove the final catalyst.

Those six points would have Walsall chasing automatic promotion. Instead this game left them sitting ninth, three points adrift but still in touch with the division's pacesetters.



Jamie Paterson gives Walsall a lifeline with 30 seconds of normal time left



Striker Will Grigg can barely believe it as he levels the score

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Easter

It sets up a season-defining spell. Win at Hartlepool on Saturday and the next three games decide the campaign's fate.

Yeovil, Coventry and Sheffield United await. All teams above Walsall – all teams they can still overtake.

The Easter weekend could see the Saddlers rise again.

Remain unbeaten and take, say, seven points, and what was considered impossible last July could become reality.

Failure to pick up more than four points and the dream ends.

Belief and momentum with seven games left is key – and Walsall have it in abundance.

While manager Dean Smith refuses to publicly discuss the Saddlers' play-off chances, behind closed doors there is a growing, if quiet, confidence that they have a real chance.

The top 10 teams are separated by just nine points and even if Walsall play down their position they cannot ignore the maths.

The lack of outside expectation allows them to flourish without pressure. It is new territory for most and that could prove crucial.

Only Andy Taylor has recent promotion challenge experience – the left-back missed a penalty in Sheffield United's play-off final defeat to Huddersfield last season.

They are a team with individual stars in Grigg, Paterson and Febian Brandy, but a team with an unbreakable spirit.

Saturday's fightback showed why the Saddlers haven't been beaten at home since November, an 11-game streak stretching back to the fateful FA Cup defeat to Lincoln.

That was the nadir of the season and Walsall plumbed the depths during winter but – in spring – they could reach the pinna-

cle. Spurred on by Grigg and Paterson's goals – they have 30 between them – the Saddlers have what they have craved for so long.

Grigg's 19th of the season puts him on the brink of becoming the first Walsall player to break the 20-goal mark in 12 years.

It will be a testament to their strength on Saturday though, with Grigg away on international duty with Northern Ireland.

Paterson, meanwhile, has added the end product to a game that has promised so much since he broke through as a teenager.

Their goals, and the grit of Adam Chambers, Paul Downing and Butler hauled them level in a match they certainly didn't deserve to lose.

The first half showed no sign of the late drama to come. A dour game burst to life six minutes after the break when Jamie Proctor rifled in from 20 yards to put Crawley ahead.

It was a shock to the system. Aaron McCarey saved from Paul Hayes and Adam Chambers' block denied Proctor on the rebound before Walsall woke up.

Paterson ended a jinking run by striking the inside of the post and Taylor struck a free-kick straight at Paul Jones.

Walsall turned up the heat but were hit with 20 minutes to go when Hayes turned in after McCarey denied Nicky Adams.

It looked lost, and Adams almost made it 3-0 minutes later, but McCarey turned his shot wide after a swift counter.

Walsall couldn't find that break – until Paterson sparked the late show when he cut inside with 30 seconds of normal time left and his shot deflected in off Matt Sparrow.

Belief oozed back and it was pandemonium when Grigg pounced on Taylor's delicious cross to level in stoppage time. Don't rule them out.

Pitmen sunk by league leaders

Hednesford Town 2 North Ferriby Utd 3
HEDNESFORD TOWN'S title hopes took a huge dent as they suffered a home loss against Evo-Stik Northern Premier League leaders North Ferriby United.

The result created a nine-point gap between Town and the Yorkshire side in the process, writes **Scott Smith**.

Ferriby took the lead after just six minutes. Hednesford were caught in possession in midfield and as Anthony Wilson strode forward down the right his cross was tapped home by Ryan Kendall at the back post.

Ferriby broke forward to double their lead with Ryan Williams' cross superbly headed home by Wilson in the 52nd minute.

Hednesford found a way back into the game on the hour mark as a mix-up in the Ferriby defence allowed Neil Harvey to poke the ball over United goalkeeper Adam Nicklin and into the net.

On 78 minutes Ferriby made it 3-1. Wilson powered through and slid the ball home past Dan Crane.

Aaron Ikey was felled in the penalty area in the 87th minute and Elliott Durrell drilled home from the spot.

Draw and a victory for under-11s

WALSALL rugby club's under-11s had two close and entertaining games against Bridgnorth, drawing one and winning another.

Missed tackles left Bridgnorth run in two unanswered tries before half time in the first but Alex Garton, burst through for a try to get Walsall back into the game just before the interval.

A strong driving maul released Joe Pearce to touch down in the corner to level.

Ben Pitt converted both tries in a 14-14 draw.

Walsall won the second game 14-0 with a try from the kick-off as Cory Selby went over.

Bridgnorth came back strongly but effective tackling kept them out and Walsall got a second try after a sublime offload resulted in Ben Pitt going over from a few metres out.

Ben then successfully converted his try to maintain his fine kicking record.

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Walker hits 20th as Pics move up

**Ashton United 2
Rushall Olympic 3**

DAVE WALKER continued his scoring run to take his league tally to 20 against Ashton and lift Rushall to fourth in the Evo-Stik Northern Premier table.

Walker gave his side the lead with a tap-in as his striking partner, Ahmed Obeng, contributed with a brace, *writes Craig Turnbull*.

Ashton scored first on 11 minutes through Aaron Burns' set-piece after Carl Palmer fouled the striker on the edge of the area.

Rushall drew level within a minute as Obeng exchanged passes with Walker before prodding the ball past keeper Paul Phillips.

After 20 minutes Rushall were ahead when Ryan Edmunds' free-kick was flicked on by Sam Smith and there was Walker to finish from close range.

Rushall grabbed their third when Josh Craddock's scuffed shot from the edge of the box fell to Obeng, who swept home from close range.

Two minutes later, Rushall had a glorious chance to put the game out of sight when Obeng was floored in the box by Tom Moore.

Walker stepped up to drill the penalty to his bottom left but Phillips palmed away. In the second half Ashton introduced all their three substitutes within the first 15 minutes to claw their way back.

One of them, Chris Amadi, crossed from the right and found unmarked Matty Kosylo at the far post.

The winger controlled beautifully before sliding the ball under 'keeper Chris Gemmell.

Visa worry on rider Masters

WOLVES speedway have been hit by visa problems for rider Sam Masters.

The Australian has seen his application for a visa rejected on a technicality and has now launched an appeal.

His Premier League club Edinburgh say he has fallen foul of a new regulation which wasn't in force when his previous visa expired.

Other Australian riders in the same situation have had their visas and are already back in the UK. But it remains a worry for Wolves with press and practice set for Tuesday and their first Elite League match at Belle Vue a week tomorrow.



Jason Rowley, left, and Elliott Martin of Walsall Tae Kwon Do

Club's championship success

WALSALL Tae Kwon Do Club are celebrating success in the English Open Kickboxing Grand Slam championships.

Chief instructor Jason Rowley and student Elliott Martin were both placed highly in the event at Solihull.

Each entered the tournament in the men's continuous sparring open belt heavyweight division, for those 75kg and over.

Rowley is a third degree black belt with 14 years' competition experience but Martin is a second Kup (red belt) competing for three years.

Tae Kwon Do

Both did exceptionally well to reach the semi-finals and eventually fought each other to decide podium positions.

Experience told as instructor beat student with Rowley going on to finish third in the class while Martin ended up fourth. Both enjoyed an excellent day of well-organised competition.

At a younger level, Walsall Tae Kwon Do Club have a new 'Tigers' class for children aged five to nine.

It runs on Monday and Wednesdays from 6.15-7pm at St Mary's The Mount Church, Glebe Street.

On the same evenings, juniors and adults at beginner and intermediate level get their action from 7-8pm while advanced students practise from 8-9pm.

The club have two free taster sessions for new members. More details are on the website at www.walsall-tae-kwon-do-club.co.uk

Alternatively, call 07797 1197767 or email emily-jane@walsall-tae-kwon-do-club.co.uk

Jam of fixtures after M6 hold-up

TRAFFIC problems saw Walsall RFC's game against Northwich postponed again.

The Cheshire team were stranded on the M6 after it was closed and then took nearly an hour to travel 10 miles on the A34.

The game has been rescheduled for Easter Saturday and Walsall will now play their remaining five league fixtures on the next five Saturdays.

This week they travel to Stoke on Trent, and then on Wednesday evening they welcome Lichfield to Delves Road for the semi-final of the Staffordshire Cup. This game kicks off at 7.30pm.

Walsall Colts were without several key players for their plate semi-final against Nuneaton last Sunday. They battled valiantly but went down 22-5.

The Colts will now concentrate on gaining league success and attempting to be the first Walsall team to win the Fred Rowley Trophy.

Walsall Under-15s proved too strong for Handsworth in a friendly training match.

A high-scoring match saw Walsall dominate with early tries from Bobby Harding, Barron Abrahams and James Ellis.

There was a solid front row performance from Harry Perkins, Matt Dempster and Ollie Parsons.

Tries from Nathan Blackwood, Barron Abrahams and Rio Galloway gave the visitors a 36-0 interval lead.

William Flood scored after the restart and a superb run by Ellis increased his tally to three. There were tries for Ben Dainty, Galloway, Owyn Sims, Parsons and Jamie Harrison conversions.

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SADDLERS MAY BE HANDED PROBLEM

WALSALL may be hit by the consequences of Wolves keeper Carl Ikeme breaking his hand in a dressing room row.

Ikeme was hurt in punching a tactics board on a wall after a row with boss Dean Saunders following an own goal in the first half at home to Bristol City on Saturday.

He will be out for the season – and Wolves may well recall Aaron McCarey from his loan with the Saddlers.

The move would leave Walsall searching for their fifth goalkeeper of the season just as the campaign boils up.

by Nick Mashiter

Rookies Liam Roberts and Richard Jones would be the only recognised keepers as David Grof was released to Clermont on trial.

Dean Smith would have to raid the loan market again after already recruiting Karl Darlow twice, Ian McLoughlin and McCarey, twice, during the season.

Wolves could recall McCarey from today, as the original 28-day loan period expired although Walsall signed him for the rest of the season in February.

Wolves could wait until after the Saddlers' trip to Hartlepool on Saturday – but would run the risk of McCarey getting injured.

Helped

The 21-year-old has made 14 Saddlers' appearances in two spells – the first between November and December – and helped them to ninth place in League One, within three points of the play-offs.

Walsall used four keepers this season and included Jimmy Walker, Jones and Roberts – yet to make a senior appearance – in matchday squads.

Record appearance holder Walker was released in February after struggling for fitness after a calf injury.

The loan window closes on Thursday, March 28, but Smith is ready to move if

necessary but wary of upsetting squad dynamic after 11 wins from the last 17 games put them into contention.

He said: "I've had a couple of chats with clubs and players already and should we need to move, we will do."

Meanwhile, Paul Downing reckons it would be a coup to secure captain Andy Butler's future. The Saddlers defender wants the skipper to pen a new deal at the Banks' Stadium.

Butler, whose contract expires in June, is in talks and wants to stay after crediting the Saddlers with reviving his career when he left Huddersfield in 2010.

And Downing reckons resigning the influential skipper, a double player of the year winner, would be a statement of intent.

He said: "He's a massive part of the team and it'll be a really big coup if we could get him to sign."

"It'll be another player added for next season and that's what we want – continuity so we can build on what we've achieved."

"I know he's really happy here but there's been interest in him all season."

"It doesn't surprise me there are other places he could go."

Unbeaten season gives Under-12s league title



All smiles – coach Alf Bowerman, centre, and manager Matt Moore, right, with Old Wulfs after clinching the title

OLD WULFRUNIANS under-12s were left with something to smile about from their Walsall Junior Football League campaign.

A 2-2 draw at home to Park Hill Boys in their final match completed an unbeaten league schedule and confirmed them as Division Two champions.

Park Hill also had something to celebrate; they finished runners-up in the division.

Old Wulfs started well, keeping possession with good passing and testing the opposing keeper.

But Park Hill were strong in defence and made chances of their own. Wulfs

finally struck with a good goal by Alex Bowerman who then turned provider to set up Carrick Chaney for the second.

With time running out, Park Hill struck back from the penalty spot and then equalised. But nothing could dampen the joy for Old Wulfs.

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